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Fighting Near Modder River

Pretoria Dispatch Says Hostilities Were Resumed on Wednesday Morning.

Gatacre Reinforced and He Is Expected to Take the Offensive Shortly.

The Boers Are Mounting More Heavy Guns Around White's Position.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 8.—While there is nothing in the latest messages from the British camp at Modder River which indicated an immediate advance, it appears that Pretoria has news that fighting was resumed on Wednesday. It is not shown, however, whether Gen. Methuen has advanced on the new position taken up by the Boers, or merely engaged in a reconnaissance in force.

Reported Relief of Mafeking.

Reports were again current at Orange River on Tuesday, Dec. 5th, that Mafeking had been relieved.

It is known through dispatches from Magalapye that preparations were completed there to advance in force on Nov. 15th from Rhodesia, for the purpose of repairing the railroad line and restoring communication with Colonel Baden-Powell.

The Bowers, however, were strongly entrenched near Gaberones, midway between Magalapye and Mafeking.

Reinforcements for Gatacre.

Reinforcements are rapidly arriving at Sterkstroom to strengthen General Gatacre, including the much needed artillery.

The authorities expect speedy news that Gatacre has taken the offensive, thus diverting a portion of the Orange Free State forces now obstructing the advance of General Methuen.

Skirmish With Boers.

A detachment of Cape police had a skirmish with Boers on Thursday, Dec. 7th, near Indwe, while Gen. French reports important reconnoitering on Wednesday, Dec. 6th, from Naauwpoort, showing preparations to attempt the recapture of some of the British towns occupied by burghers.

In Communication With White.

A war office dispatch from Buller confirms the statement that heliographic communication has been fully established with Ladysmith, and Buller and White have been conferring as to their future movements.

New Advertisements on Page 8.

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WESTERN BORDER.

A Dispatch From Pretoria Reports Fighting Near Modder River—Dissensions in the Boer Camp.

Pretoria, Wednesday, Dec. 6.—Fighting commenced near Modder River at 6 o'clock this morning.

Isolated.

London, Dec. 8, 6.25 p.m.—The war office has just issued the following:

"No further news has arrived from General Methuen to-day, but the following has been received from the Orange River station:

"A railroad culvert was blown up near Graspan this morning. The telegraph was also cut.

"Guides report heavy firing of guns in the north."

The foregoing implies the Boers cut the line of communication behind Gen. Methuen, who is apparently fighting.

Cronje's Complaint.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Herald to-day prints the following advices from special correspondents to the London Telegraph:

Modder River, Monday.—It is reported that serious dissensions have broken out in the Boer camp between the Transvaalers and Free Staters. Gen. Cronje insists on putting Transvaaler officers in command of the Free State forces, and says that the latter will not fight.

A Native's Story.

Kimberley, Dec. 4, via Modder River, Dec. 6.—A trustworthy native, who escaped from the Boers, states that he drove his master, Andrew Cronje, and head Commandant Wessels away in a cart after the battle of Modder River. They quarrelled all through the journey. Wessels severely blamed the Transvaalers for not coming to the assistance of the Free Staters.

Lady Wilson a Prisoner.

London, Dec. 8.—According to a special dispatch from Pretoria, Gen. Joubert recently proposed an exchange of prisoners, especially Lady Sarah Wilson, for Boer women taken prisoners at Mafeking.

Lady Wilson is an aunt of Winston Churchill, and wife of Captain G. C. Wilson, of the Royal Horse Guards.

This was the first definite news that she was a prisoner. Lady Wilson has been acting in the double capacity of a newspaper correspondent and Red Cross nurse, and there has been much anxiety about her. When last heard from Lady Wilson had left Mafeking on horseback with her maid as sole companion. She was reported to have reached Setlagoli.

A Canadian Killed.

Quebec, Dec. 8.—News was received here to-day that Bertie Nathan, formerly a member of Quebec High school cadets and of the Eighth Royal Rifles, who enlisted in the Grenadier Guards some years ago, was killed at the battle of Belmont. He was born and educated in this city.

IN NATAL

Boers Have Mounted Heavy Guns Around Ladysmith and the Batteries Are Working Steadily.

New York, Dec. 8.—In discussing the present status of the war in the Transvaal a cable from London to the Tribune says that two great battles are impending before Ladysmith and Kimberley.

One leading English journal, impressed with the conviction that the situation of White's army is critical, deprecates delay and well nigh raises a cry of "On to Ladysmith." It has also published evidence of large reinforcements, which Gen. Cronje has received from Natal and Mafeking, to enable him to make a strong stand at Spytfontein. The war office, however, is satisfied to allow Gen. Buller a free hand.

The gravest feature of the situation in Natal is the marked improvement in the artillery practice of the Boer batteries around Ladysmith. While the naval gun had knocked out a big Creuzot and a howitzer, two more siege guns had been brought up, and according to the London Times dispatches, three Creuzots, four big howitzers, two batteries of long range field guns and other heavy ordnance were working steadily. The range, moreover, had been reduced all round the garrison.

Gen. Buller not only knows these facts, but has provided so strong a relief column that the siege will be practically raised as soon as Clery is ready to strike the first blow.

The British forces in lower Natal are now estimated at 27,000, and Gen. Clery will have not less than 20,000 men for operations on either flank of Colenso.

Bombardment of Ladysmith.

London, Dec. 8.—Latest advices from Frere camp show the bombardment of Ladysmith was continued on Thursday, Dec. 7th. A pneumatic gun on Umbulawana hill commenced the work.

The Tugela river is low.

Free Staters are reported to be looting Acton Holmes on the way back to the Free State border.

Steamer Captured.

London, Dec. 8.—A special dispatch from Capetown announces that the British gunboat Partridge captured the British steamer Mashona, which left New York on November 3rd, via St. Vincent, November 16th, laden with flour for the Transvaal.

The cargo will be landed at Capetown and the ship released.

Cabinet Council.

London, Dec. 8.—The cabinet held a two hours' session to-day. Lord Salisbury had recovered his health sufficiently to preside.

LORD METHUEN'S TROOPS.

Infantry.	
Scots Guards, 1st battalion and reserves	1,350
Coldstream Guards, 1st and 2nd battalions	1,700
Grenadier Guards, 2nd and 3rd battalions	1,700
Loyal North Lancashires, part of 1st battalion	350
Northumberland Fusiliers, 1st battalion	850
Northamptonshires, 2nd battalion	850
South Yorkshire Light, 2nd battalion	850
1st Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders	850
Cavalry.	
Ninth Lancers	500
New South Wales Lancers	250
Field Artillery.	
Sixty-second Battery, with 6 guns	75
Seventy-fifth battery, with 6 guns	75
Naval Brigade.	
Royal Marines from battleship Monarch	250
Detachment from cruiser Powerful, with 10 guns	150
Detachment from cruiser Doris, with 10 guns	100
Total force	9,000

NEW JAMAICAN SECRETARY.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 8.—Mr. Sydney Oliver, of the colonial office, has been appointed colonial secretary for Jamaica. Mr. Sydney Oliver, who is a Oxford graduate, entered the colonial office in 1882, and was appointed C. M. G. on Queen Victoria's birthday in 1898, in connection with his services in relation to West Indian colonies.

THE ANNEXATION OF SAMOA.

(Associated Press.)

Auckland, N.Z., Dec. 8.—Advices received here from Apia, Samoa, dated November 28th, say the news of German annexation of the islands as a result of the Samoan agreement was received by the natives with apparent indifference.

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Big Battles Imminent

Preparations for the Advance to Ladysmith Are Now Complete.

Methuen's Force is Being Reinforced for the March to Relieve Kimberley.

London, Dec. 8.—The arrival of General Buller at Frere is held to indicate that all the preparations for an advance to the relief of Ladysmith are complete and that stirring news will soon be received.

The fact that Lord Methuen is announced as resuming command at almost the same moment is interpreted in some quarters to mean that battles will be fought simultaneously in Natal and Spytfontein.

It appears doubtful, however, whether Gen. Methuen's force is yet ready for what will evidently be a heavy encounter. The construction of the temporary bridge across Modder river has entailed enormous labor and even now the structure is liable to be washed away should a heavy storm come.

Interesting information regarding Boer tactics is send by a special correspondent, who says that Commandant Gen. Joubert has given orders to reserve fire until the British are within the close range of 400 yards. At the Modder river battle the Free State burghers became nervous and opened fire prematurely, thus revealing their position, frustrating the Boers' plans.

The Morning Post publishes an article warning the British public that "the disillusionment already experienced respecting the Boer forces in Natal is likely to be repeated on the western border. It says that men are wanted everywhere, and asks why the splendid body of 20,000 of the Royal Marines is now employed in sweeping floors and washing paint in England is not sent out to handle the naval guns instead of the hurriedly trained men, unfamiliar with these weapons, who have gone."

A cavalry brigade of about 4,000 men is to be dispatched to South Africa as early as possible.

WITH METHUEN'S COLUMN.

More Reinforcements Arrive—Casualties at Modder River—Message From Kimberley.

Modder River Station, Dec. 3.—The new bridge over the Modder River, which is being constructed by the engineers, is rapidly nearing completion. Gen. Methuen is waiting on this to get the artillery across, when he will be in condition to advance on the last stage to Kimberley.

Some naval guns with lyddite shells are expected here shortly.

Methuen has been reinforced by the 12th Lancers and more field guns have arrived, the latter with tents and stores. It is understood the later reinforcements will be here in another week.

Twelve of the British wounded died yesterday.

News From Kimberley.

Modder River, Monday, Dec. 4.—A searchlight message from Col. Kekewich at Kimberley says the town is provisioned for thirty days with forage for thirty days, and has a plentiful water supply.

British Casualties at Modder River.

London, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Modder River published by the Daily Mail says:

"The Kimberley people are troubled by the necessity of feeding 1,000 Basutos in the diamond mines whom the Boers refuse to allow to depart, and who, should they fail to get enough meat, would become restless.

"On the night of the battle at Modder River, Kimberley missing the accustomed signals from here, was in great anxiety, fearing that we had been defeated. The fact was that we did not use our searchlight for fear the Boer guns would wreck the apparatus.

"Five hundred and thirty British were killed and wounded in the battle here That number has already been accounted for and the enemy's losses were probably much heavier."

Kruger's Ambition.

London, Dec. 8.—Baron Loch, former governor of Cape Colony and British high commissioner for South Africa, lectured in London last evening, regarding his experiences with President Kruger. He said the remarks of the Transvaal President years ago showed that he contemplated just the state of affairs which has now arisen. Mr. Kruger even expressed a desire to have a seaport and said the Transvaal hoped to have a navy some day.

The Times, commenting upon Lord Loch's reminiscences, says that they prove up to the hilt the Dutch ambition for Dutch supremacy in South Africa.

Two girls lost their lives in the Reading fire on Wednesday.

A woman who is weak, nervous and sleepless, and who has cold hands and feet, cannot act and feel like a well person. Carter's Iron Pills equalize the circulation, remove nervousness, and give strength and rest.

WHY EARL LEFT HOME.

Disappeared Three Years Ago—He Did Not Like His Mother-in-Law.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 6.—Robert Earl disappeared from his home in Rochester three years ago, and no trace could be found of him. Last September a man was found dead in an ice-house in Rochester, and Mrs. Earl identified the body as that of her husband. The body was buried, and a small amount of insurance placed on Earl's life was collected.

Several days ago a friend of Mrs. Earl when visiting this city met a man who so resembled Earl that on his return to Rochester he notified the supposed widow of his discovery.

To-day Mrs. Earl came to Buffalo, accompanied by a Rochester detective, and, being brought to a police station where the double of the supposed dead man had been summoned, Mrs. Earl also identified him as her husband.

A reconciliation took place, and the couple returned to Rochester to-night.

Earl's only explanation for his absence is that he did not like his mother-in-law.

TWO FINE SPECIMENS

Of Physical Manhood.

No form of athletic exercise demands such perfect physical condition as prize fighting. Every muscle of the body must be fully developed and supple, and the heart, lungs and stomach must act to perfection.

Whether we endorse prize fighting or not, it is nevertheless interesting to know the manner by which men arrive at such physical perfection.

James Jeffries, the present champion heavyweight of the world, and his gallant opponent, Tom Sharkey, in the greatest pugilistic encounter that has ever taken place, both pursued much the same course of training and the first and most important part of this training was to get the stomach in condition, and to keep the digestion absolutely perfect, so that every muscle and nerve would be at its highest capabilities.

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Champion Jeffries says: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets prevent acidity, strengthen the stomach and insure perfect digestion. They keep a man in fine physical condition." Signed, James J. Jeffries, champion of the world.

The gallant fighter, Sharkey, says: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets remove all discomfort after eating. They rest the stomach and restore it to a healthful condition. I heartily recommend them." Signed, Thos. J. Sharkey.

The advantage of the daily use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is that they keep people well and ward off sickness and are equally valuable to well persons as to the dyspeptics. Another advantage is that these tablets contain no cathartics, or poisons of any character, but simply digestive ferments which are found in every healthy stomach, and when digestion is imperfect it is because the stomach lacks some of these elements, and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets supply it.

They are no cheap cathartic, but a perfectly safe and efficient digestive, and the demand for them is greater than the sale of all other so-called dyspepsia cures combined. No remedy could possibly reach such a place in public esteem except as the result of positive merit.

Full sized packages are sold by all druggists at 50 cents and the best habit you can possibly form is to take a Stuart Tablet after each meal. They make weak stomachs strong and keep strong stomachs vigorous.

CUBANS PLEASED.

(Associated Press.)

Havana, Dec. 7.—President McKinley's message to Congress has been received by Cubans of all classes with much satisfaction. Even the leaders of the extreme party admit this, and the belief that there will be no American civil governor has cleared away most of the cloud that has been hanging over the Cuban political situation.

A dispatch from Berlin says that Count Tolstoi has been seriously ill. For two days he was unconscious, but now is slightly better, although great anxiety is still manifested in Moscow regarding him.

Representative Corliss of Michigan introduced in the United States House on Tuesday a bill for a Pacific cable to be built by the government to Hawaii, the Philippines, Japan and China, at a limit of cost of $8,000,000, of which $5,000,000 is to be immediately available. The route and general control is placed under a Pacific cable commission, including the postmaster-general and chief signal officer of the army.

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Refugees at De Aar

The Pathetic and the Picturesque Side of the War.

London Daily Leader's Description of Scenes at the British Base.

British Camp, De Aar, Oct. 16.

Thanks to the Boers tearing up the rails ahead of our train, and thus cutting off communication with Kimberley, I have been able to spend a day at the base of Imperial operations on this frontier.

During this brief stay I saw a strange mixture of the pathetic and the picturesque sides of war. Every road seemed to lead to De Aar. Along the one I had just traversed from Capetown came soldiers and volunteers eager to be in the fray; along the others—from Kimberley, Johannesburg, Bloemfontein—came hurried, blear-eyed refugees with the dust of the warring Republics still upon their garments.

The soldiers stepped straight from the railway station into the camp; the refugees hung about the platforms and slept in the waiting-rooms amid piles of clothing which they had saved in the stampede. Tired to death, they dropped to the ground where they stood and lay stretched at full length on the platforms and even in the roadways. The atmosphere of the waiting rooms given over to the miserable crowd became so foul that the oil lamps seemed to flicker painfully, and one dared scarcely put his nose inside the places to see that his luggage was intact. How bad things would have been during the night I don't know, if the available empty carriages—which were no longer needed to make up trains that could go nowhere—had not been brought up to the platform for refugees to sleep in. And in they bundled like sardines, till they literally lay in layers, and then the train was run into a siding to await the morrow.

Flight of Refugees.

I have never witnessed such sights, never heard such stories of the frightened flight before calamity since some dreadful months that I spent with the famine-stricken Russians, now nearly ten years ago. It is truly curious the resemblance which this flight before war bears to the flight before famine. I was almost tempted to think that I was listening to the same stories over again.

But I was brought back to the reality by hearing the language of my own kith and kin. Away in Capetown most of the refugees I saw were wealthy men, speculators—not of our own national blood—looking out for a chance, by means of a ring in horses or a corner in asses, of getting more money out of the trouble that has driven them from the Transvaal than they would have netted had they remained there this summer. There were Cornish miners, too, as I have already written, seemingly not hard up, but going a fair way to become so if they do not return to England. Here, at De Aar station, the majority of sufferers were composed of poor Britishers. Many of them were so poor that they had only been able to pay their way to the frontier, and were then dependent upon the Cape government railways to carry them free of charge to some centre.

They told some extraordinary stories of Boer ill-treatment when they reached the frontier, though I must in fairness say that I myself met nobody who would declare that he had experienced the fate which he said had befallen others. The allegation was this: At Vereeniging station—the last one on the Transvaal side of the Johannesburg-Capetown railway—the Boer officials, not content with examining luggage, actually searched the refugees and "commandeered" whatever ready cash they possessed above £15. Passengers were driven from the train in batches, "commandeered" according to their cash balances, and sent to another part of the station till the operation was finished, so that they might have no opportunity of warning their fellow travellers.

Destitute and Miserable.

The crowd at De Aar was a very destitute one. You could not have "commandeered" £15 from a dozen of them, if appearances went for anything, so there may not be much in my failure to get a personal confirmation of stories which are so widely told that there is probably something in them.

Two particularly pathetic incidents came under my eyes. One was a mother who sat weeping in the women's room, mourning the separation from her children, whom she feared had been carried elsewhere when a train—too heavy for one engine to drag through this hilly country—was broken into two portions. The other a husband who had left his wife to go to Kimberley for the money with which to get her away. Boers held the rail to Kimberley. He was mad with grief at the thought of what might become of her. I saw him start up from the floor of the waiting room, where he had been lying half asleep, and rush out of the place declaring that he would get back to her on foot and chance whether the Boers shot him.

Two hours later I saw him about the station again, maudlin drunk.

There is a terrible amount of drinking amongst the refugees and the volunteers. The former to drown their misery, the latter to raise their courage to enlisting point. We signed on 37 volunteers upon the platform in ten minutes yesterday afternoon. These included the Italian Count and the distressful adventurers I mentioned in my last letter. And, of course, the next thing they had to do was to have a glass: "Confusion to our enemies, and may we dodge the Boer bullets."

I count all the above, even to the heavy drinking of refugees and volunteers, amongst the pathetic scenes of war. Now for the picturesque.

Situation of De Aar Camp.

I think you can have no more stirring emotion than to be awakened by a bugle reveille, to peep out of your window and watch life come over the camp you have seen slumbering in the night. The twinkling of lights signalling messages from outposts on distant hills have gone out. With a good glass you can see that tiny white flags are now waving us reports.

"Tommy" comes out in his thousands to take a douche before his tent. While he is doing so many lines of smoke curl up from different points of the camp to tell that his breakfast is preparing, and an hour later he is hard at it, drilling or working. The camp at De Aar on the date of my visit was under command of Lieut.-Col. C. G. C. Money, C. B., of the Northumberland Fusiliers, whose regiment was there. Major K. C. Haking was Camp Commandant, and Major the Hon. C. Lambton acted as press censor.

The camp lies on the eastern side of the De Aar railway station. It is backed on that side by three rugged hills, distant about three-quarters of a mile. On the western side there is also a range of hills not more than a mile away. At four or five miles to the north of the camp is a vista of magnificent flat-topped mountains, of which Table mountain, overlooking Capetown, is a good specimen. Undulated open country stretches as far as the eye can reach on the south of the camp.

As a base I think the spot is splendidly chosen. As all roads led to De Aar for refugees so do all roads lead here for troops and war material. It is on the direct road from Capetown to the Transvaal, and lines of railway to it from East London and Port Elizabeth pass entirely over colonial territory, and ought not to suffer damage at the hands of raiding Boers.

Defence Works By the Yorkshires.

If the camp at De Aar were liable to attack by any large body of the enemy I should not be so enthusiastic concerning the spot selected. Thanks to the splendid energy of the men of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, under Major Earle, some formidable redoubts and earthworks have been constructed. In mentioning this, and in adding what an officer told me—namely, that the Yorkshires have done such work that if half an army corps comes into camp it won't need more to do—I don't think I am committing any breach of the discretion which I am bound to observe when writing on the subject of our defences on the border.

My impression is that we have got over the period when anxiety should be felt so far south as De Aar. In confirmation of this is the fact that Col. Money did not hesitate yesterday to detach the Northumberland Fusiliers from the base, and the "Fighting Fifth" went up a stage nearer the fighting line.

It was about one o'clock in the afternoon when we saw a good deal of animation in camp. Officers hurriedly left their mess—which is temporarily established in the railway station dining room—and soon all was excitement. Before one could realize it tents were struck and rolled up, kits were packed and bundled into mule wagons, which, drawn by a dozen willing animals, raced towards the railway station. Here a couple of baggage trains [illegible] by the side of the platforms.

Getting an Armored Train Off.

A fatigue party marched up. "Tommy" peels almost to the skin when he is at work. He is allowed to pull at his pipe, suck the end of a cigarette, or chew a blade of grass when he is on this sort of duty. He works like a demon. He lifts or pushes everything into his baggage trains except the mules, which are best left to their native drivers. These fellows can swear in an unintelligible language when the little beasts, who are clever as snakes with their feet, launch out with them in fifty directions at once. Nobody would like to hear what "Tommy" would say to the mule that introduced its hoof to his shin.

Working with the prospect of a brush with the enemy before their eyes the men of the "Fighting Fifth"—"Old and Bold" they used to be called—did not know what fatigue was, even under the almost tropical sun that beat down upon them. Eventually they had their tents, kits, wagons, mules, horses, Maxims, sand-bags—for artificial defences if attacked en route—ammunition, rations, fodder, and other stores packed on their transport trains. Exactly at five o'clock, only four hours after the order to move to the front was given, half a regiment was entrained with the necessaries to meet any eventuality. An armored train steamed slowly into the station. It took up its complement of Royal Engineers and military telegraphists to repair communications. Then it moved outside to lead the way for the military cortege.

It may be of interest to mention that the first vehicle of an armored train is a carriage which looks like a great zinc tank on wheels. The armor is ½in. thick and reaches nearly down to the rails. Peeping from the front is the barrel of a Maxim gun, along the sides are narrow slits in the armor—wide enough for a combatant to look through and to stick out the muzzle of a rifle. The purely fighting men ride inside. This is followed by the engine, which is in turn followed by an ordinary railway carriage for the engineers, operators, and the guard, and the rear is brought up by another armored wagon, precisely similar to the first, except that the Maxim peeps out from behind.

An Outside Seat for Fun.

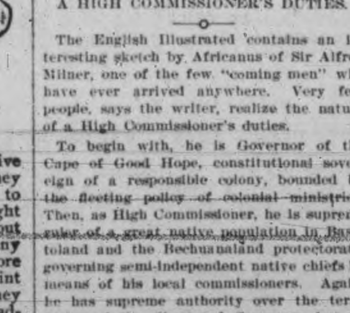
As I have said, at five o'clock the order to go was shouted. "Tommy" didn't want to be inside "no" carriages. "Let's bloomin' well be outside," shouted one as he buckled on his cartridge belt. "We'll see the fun then." And as many as could clambered on the loaded transport wagons, found comfortable perches for their officers on top, and started chipping those of their comrades who found themselves doomed to ride in ordinary closed compartments. Officers travelled with their men. When campaigning there is no stowing them away in first-class carriages. They hit it well, too. "Tommy" pulls out a pack of cards and puts on a pipe; his officer lights a cigar, and only warns "Tommy" to be careful not to let any sparks blow on to the fodder trucks. "Right, sir," says "Tommy" cheerily, plunging his thumb into the bowl of his pipe to show that there wont be many sparks to go anywhere.

Then off the train goes.

The refugees cheer "Tommy," and "Tommy" cheers the refugees.

I have seen our soldiers embark from home ports for war, I have heard the air ring with true British cheers—some of them coming from the lips of men and women whose hearts were wrung with grief at the thought that perhaps a son or a husband would never come back, but I don't think that I have witnessed anything more truly stirring than this "send off" we gave to the "Fighting Fifth," with the knowledge that as they sat there they might run straight into an ambuscade laid by the enemy. These men were carrying their lives in their hands, and death in the rifles they held in them.

E. W. S.



Let go or die. That's the alternative of the shipwrecked man with the money bags. If there was only some one to throw him a life preserver, he might save both life and money. Without help it is let go or die. A great many people have a like alternative before them. Business men come to a point where the doctor tells them that they must "let go or die." Probably he advised a sea voyage or mountain air. There's an obstinate cough that won't be shaken off. The lungs are weak and perhaps bleeding. There is emaciation and other symptoms of disease, which if unskillfully or improperly treated terminate in consumption.

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A HIGH COMMISSIONER'S DUTIES.

The English Illustrated contains an interesting sketch by Africanus of Sir Alfred Milner, one of the few "coming men" who have ever arrived anywhere. Very few people, says the writer, realize the nature of a High Commissioner's duties.

To begin with, he is Governor of the Cape of Good Hope, constitutional sovereign of a responsible colony, bounded by the fleeting policy of colonial ministries. Then, as High Commissioner, he is supreme ruler of a great native population in Basutoland and the Bechuanaland protectorate, governing semi-independent native chiefs by means of his local commissioners. Again, he has supreme authority over the territories of the Chartered Company, but no direct share in the administration. Then over Natal, a self-governing colony, with the native annexes of Zululand and Amatongaland, he has, in the last resort, a somewhat shadowy control. Finally, he controls the diplomatic relations of the Imperial government with the South African Republic and the Orange Free State.

The two positions—Governor and High Commissioner—are incompatible except in the hands of a man of genius. Cape Colony owns large native territories—Transkei and Southern Bechuanaland—and its Governor may have to assent to a native policy within those territories which he must refuse to apply to the Imperial protectorates. Moreover, members of the Cape parliament are in some cases very closely connected with the volksraads of the two Republics, and a Cape ministry can, if it chooses, pass "resolutions" which make the High Commissioner's diplomatic task more difficult.

The man who can steer clearly through such shoaly waters is destined to go far, and Sir Alfred Milner has so far acquitted himself in a manner to ensure the utmost confidence.

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AUSTRALIAN LINER AGROUND.

(Associated Press.)

Antwerp, Dec. 8.—The North German Lloyd steamer Koenigin Luise, bound for Australia, grounded to-day on Walswoords bank, in the lower Scheldt. Her condition is critical. Tugs are assisting in the work of attempting to float her.

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NOTICE.

Assessment Act.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and Appeal will sit as follows:

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria City:—At Small Debts Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Friday, the 29th, and Saturday, 30th, days of December, 1899, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria:—At the Royal Oak, on Saturday, the 23rd day of December, 1899, at 11:30 o'clock a. m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral District known as North Saanich:—On Friday, the 12th day of January, 1900, at the Sidney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:—On Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1899, at Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a. m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of Comox and Cassiar known as the Coast, Rupert, Sayward, and Quatsino Land Districts:—At Small Debts Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayoquot and Renfrew Land Districts:—At Small Debts Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Friday, the 5th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

Dated at Victoria, this 21st day of November, 1899.

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Filipinos, Under Lino, Opposed the American Advance to Vigan.

They Were Driven From the Trenches With the Loss of 25 Men.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, Dec. 8.—There was considerable relief in Manila when news was received to-day that Gen. Young's small force had arrived safely at Vigan, in the province of South Ilollo, on Dec. 6th. Anxiety had been felt for Gen. Young and the garrison at Vigan since it was known Gen. Lino had a large and aggressive body of insurgents operating in the vicinity.

Gen. Lino made a stand in the mountain passes between Narvacan and San Quito. The natural strength of the position was augmented by trenches and pitfalls. The fighting lasted five hours.

Gen. Young ended the fight by charging and routing the enemy, who left 25 dead, several rifles and thousands of rounds of ammunition in the trenches. The enemy employed artillery.

Only one American was seriously wounded.

AGAIN SENTENCED.

The Slayer of Five Men Convicted of Manslaughter.

(Associated Press.)

New Kirk, I. T., Dec. 8.—Clyde Mattox, the slayer of five men, was convicted here last night of manslaughter and sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

The crime for which he was sentenced was the killing of Lincoln Sweeney, a ranger, during a bar-room fight at Ponce city last spring. For a previous murder Mattox was sentenced to death, but the sentence, was commuted to imprisonment for life, and President McKinley, at a later date, pardoned him.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 8.—A disaster to the Irish mail at Crew, an important railroad centre 39 miles south-east of Liverpool, is reported this morning. It is rumored that many people have been killed and injured. The Northwestern railway officials in London say the Crewe accident is slight. They have not yet received details.

Later—The wreck at Crewe was not serious. Only one person was killed and three injured.

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AMERICAN PRISONERS.

Were Lined Up for Execution, But Aguinaldo Saved Gillmore and His Men.

Manila, Dec. 7.—When the landing party from the United States battleship Oregon took the town of Vigan they found there an escaped prisoner, A. L. Sonnenschein, who gave the first authentic account of the experiences of Lieut. James C. Gillmore, of the United States gunboat Yorktown, who, with a party from the Yorktown, was captured by the insurgents near Baler, on the east coast of Luzon, last April.

Mr. Sonnenschein was imprisoned at Abra for a long time with Lieut. Gillmore and seven sailors, but contrived to escape, carrying a concealed note, written in naval cipher, dated Abra, November 19th, addressed to "any naval officer," and saying "You may have perfect confidence in anything the bearer says." The note was signed "Gillmore."

According to Mr. Sonnenschein, when Lieut. Gillmore's launch entered the river from Baler harbor under cover of Ensign W. H. Standley's gun, the landing was received with three volleys. Two of the Americans were killed and two mortally wounded. Every man was hit.

Lieut. Gillmore received a flesh wound in the leg, and his foot stuck fast in the mud, so that nothing was left for him but a choice between surrendering and being slaughtered. In this desperate plight he surrendered and was taken prisoner.

Shortly afterward Lieut. Gillmore is said to have asked if there were any terms by which he could obtain the release of himself and his men. The insurgents said that if he could procure the delivery to them of the arms and munitions of the Spanish garrison they would send the Spaniards and the Americans to the Yorktown.

A sailor of Lieut. Gillmore's party, according to Sonnenschein, carried this proposition to the garrison. The Spanish commandant repelled it as an insult to Spanish arms, and expelled the sailor, a Spanish soldier firing at him as he left.

The Americans were then bound hand and foot and taken to San Isidro, where General Luna ordered their execution.

They were marched to the plaza and, in the presence of a great crowd, were aligned to be executed. Before the shots could be fired Lieut. Gillmore in a firm voice cried out:

"As an American officer and gentleman I protest against being shot with my hands tied."

Aguinaldo interefered and prevented the execution.

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THE POPE.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, Dec. 8.—In spite of the rainy weather and the advice of his physicians the Pope celebrated mass in his private chapel to-day.

Hiram Maxim first turned his attention to gunmaking in a very small way so late as 1884, yet to-day his firm employs over 14,000 men.

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THE EVENING PAPER FOR THE NEWS.

It is almost midnight in South Africa when the evening newspaper in Canada is going to press, and thus its readers will not have to wait until the next morning for the record of each day's campaign. The difference of seven hours in time between Toronto and Capetown operates to the advantage of the evening newspaper as against the morning paper in Canada. All the news which is available for publication in the papers to be printed in Capetown to-morrow morning can be printed in the evening papers of Canada to-night. The evening paper is able to publish the first record of every great event in the history which the world is now making, and the trouble in South Africa is likely to more completely establish the morning press in its position as a purveyor of second-hand news.—Toronto Telegram.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

"Why Smith Left Home" in the Victoria To-Night—"Brown in Town" and Owen Smily.

"Why Smith Left Home," which holds the boards at the Victoria theatre tonight, is by the same author as "What Happened to Jones," and all who have seen the latter will not fail to witness the newer play from the same writer. The booking has been good and notwithstanding the postponed date of presentation the company may expect a big house to-night.

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There is no name upon which more indignity has been heaped, nor any name that has been responsible for more that is bright, clever and startling than the dulcet name of Brown. It is doubtful, too, if there is any one edifice large enough to hold all the Browns there are in which case the Victoria theatre on Tuesday night ought to be taxed to its utmost with those who will want to see the latest farcical effusion "Brown's in Town." The author has constructed a farce which is said to be entirely new in its theme, and one that is original in its lines and situations. The plot hinges on a secret marriage which the young man wishes to keep from his father whose matrimonial experiences were such as to give him just cause for prohibiting his son from taking unto himself a wife. Farces such as "Brown's in Town," rely on a measure upon the people interpreting them. They must not only be good actors, but actors especially adapted to farcical work. This farce has players who will fulfil their requirements admirably. If you are a "Brown" or if you know a "Brown," his reason for being in town will surely appear particularly funny to you.

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Those who have heard Owen Smily in his entertaining monologues will be pleased to hear of his approaching visit to Victoria, accompanied by two soloists. They appear in A.O.U.W. Hall on Monday night. The Chincinnati, Ohio, News, in a two-column article on Mr. Smily's platform work, says: "Mr. Owen A. Smily is a young Englishman, a native of London, and he possesses in the fullest degree that polish which is usually so striking a characteristic of the English entertainer. His sketches are mostly original, and the witty utterances they contain are of such a spontaneous nature that they appear to be delivered for the first time."

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EXPERIMENTS WITH LIQUID AIR

At the annual meeting of the Austro-Hungarian Gas & Water Trade Experts, held at Vienna, Prof. Von Lang, privy councillor, demonstrated experiments with liquid air. The liquid air was stored in an open receptacle with double walls, the rim of which was covered with ice, in consequence of the difference in temperature. The double walls form a space free of air, as an effective guard against drawing on heat from outside to enable the air to be kept liquid for a lengthened period. The experiments were begun by filtering the liquid air first, and then the professor proved, by immersing a burning chip of wood, which burnt with a vivid flame, the prevalence of a considerable amount of oxygen. This is explained by the nitrogen evaporating quicker than the oxygen, which is found in liquid air to form 35 deg. to 40 deg., while in the atmosphere it only forms 21 deg. of the air. Poured into a basin of water, pieces of ice exceptionally cold are formed. If these pieces are picked up by the hand, or if the hand is only for a second dipped into liquid air, a sore is caused similar to that of a burn. If an India rubber tube is immersed in a receptacle with liquid air, it becomes at once as hard as stone, while flowers that were immersed got instantly so hard as to require a hammer to break them to pieces. Quicksilver fumes settled like a mirror on the inner walls of the tube when treated with liquid air.

The further experiments demonstrated the freezing, i.e., liquefaction of pure alcohol, carbonic acid gas and acetylene gas, by conducting these through a tube into small glasses filled with liquid air. Acetylene snow burned with a beautiful yellow flame. A lead saucer containing liquid air, when struck with a hammer, produced a clear melodious sound like that of a bell. The explosive powers of liquid air were demonstrated by igniting cotton wool and powdered charcoal saturated with liquid air, which flared up with great suddenness.—American Manufacturer.

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THE BOER IN PEACE TIME.

Mark Twain has met the Boer, and this is what he says of him: "He is deeply religious; profoundly ignorant; dull, obstinate, bigoted; uncleanly in his habits; hospitable, honest in his dealings with the whites, a hard master to his black servant; lazy, a good shot, good horseman, addicted to the chase; a lover of political independence, a good husband and father; not fond of herding together in towns, but liking the seclusion and remoteness and solitude and empty vastness and silence of the veldt; a man of a mighty appetite, and not delicate about what he appeases it with—well satisfied with pork, and Indian corn and biltong, requiring only that the quantity shall not be stinted; willing to ride a long journey to take a hand in a rude all-night dance interspaced with vigorous feeding and boisterous jollity, but ready to ride twice as far for a prayer meeting; proud of his Dutch and Huguenot origin and its religious and military history; proud of his race achievements in South Africa—its bold plunges into hostile and uncharted deserts in search of free solitudes envexed by the pestering and detested English, also its victories over the natives and the British; proudest of all, of the direct and effusive personal interest which the Deity has always taken in its affairs.

"He cannot read, he cannot write; he has one or two newspapers, but he is apparently not aware of it; until latterly he had no schools, and taught his children nothing; news is a term which has no meaning to him, and the thing itself he cares nothing about. He hates to be taxed, and resents it. He has stood stock still in South Africa for two centuries and a half, and would like to stand still till the end of time, for he has no sympathy with Uitlander notions of progress.

"He is hungry to be rich, for he is human; but his preference has been for riches in cattle, not in fine clothes and fine houses and gold and diamonds. The gold and the diamonds have brought the godless stranger within his gates, also contamination and broken repose, and he wishes that they had never been discovered."

SPANISH NEWSPAPERS.

Madrid, the Spanish capital, has one or two papers which have a fair circulation, but they cannot compare in importance, as to their influence over their own country's population, with other first-class continental newspapers—with the best productions of Austria, Russia, or even Italy. Of the Spanish papers probably the Imparcial has the greatest sale amongst the people of Madrid, but the chief paper for influence amongst the better classes is La Epoca, which is a conservative journal of very old repute, having been established for over half a century.

La Epoca has never supported any other party in Spain but the high Conservatives. Its present circulation must be taken as being about twelve thousand daily, and it is edited by the Marquis de Valdiglesias, who is also one of its proprietors. It is a conservative journal whose columns are principally given over to news from Spanish sources; and its supply of foreign matter and doings, as we know them in this country, is but scanty. There is generally a leading article of importance in its first column, and the latter half of its fourth page is given to the "serial," which is as much in vogue in Spain as elsewhere on the continent.—From the Pall Mall Magazine for November.

Selfishness is the grand moving principle of nine-tenths of our actions.—Rochefoucauld.

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MANITOBA ELECTION.

The election in Manitoba yesterday resulted in distinct Conservative gains, and although at the time of writing it seems doubtful if Hugh John MacDonald has succeeded in overthrowing the Greenway government it is clear that the government on its side cannot claim a "substantial victory." Our correspondent, who is in close touch with the government, says the government claims 19 seats and concedes 15 to the opposition, with four elections, Dauphin and Gimli, yet to be held. Giving the four in doubt to the opposition, there would be a tie. The situation, from this point of view, is not unlike the one that followed the last British Columbia general election, and it is not impossible that a similar state of affairs, as to the evenness of parties may yet prevail in Manitoba when all the elections have been held. Government supporters believe that Mr. Greenway will control the new house. On the other hand the Conservatives claim a decided victory. Undoubtedly they have made great gains, and the worst that can happen them will be the loss of power by a vote or two.

One of the effects of the election will be the revivication of Tupperism, which is to be regretted in the interests of the country as well as of the Conservative party. Mr. Greenway has given Manitoba a good government for many years, and it is certainly extraordinary that the people would turn away from a tried friend in the days of the province's prosperity to follow a will-o'-the-wisp politician, whose only qualifications are the two inheritances of a father's name and genial disposition.

A WONDERFUL PEOPLE.

Mr. Henry Demarest Lloyd, writing in the Atlantic Monthly for December, gives an account of conditions in New Zealand that will interest Canadians very much. The author is perhaps a trifle enthusiastic, although he certainly adduces abundant evidence upon which to base his strong words of praise; besides which we have all heard enough about New Zealand already to lead us to believe it is no ordinary country and the New Zealanders no ordinary people. Mr. Lloyd calls New Zealand "Newest England," and says it is "the nearest approach to paradise to be found in the world."

"There are no absolutely good governments or peoples," he writes, "but some are not so bad as others, and for New Zealand it may be claimed that its government and people are the least bad this side of Mars."

There is nothing like going to the point without mincing one's language, and from that text Mr. Lloyd goes on to more particular specifications of the beatific conditions of the country and people of this Antipodean Eden. For climate it has plenty of rain and sunshine, and all that rain and sunshine bring. "It is like wine without the headache in it." The scenery is an epitome of all that is best in Norway, British Columbia, Switzerland, Italy and Britain. The soil is marvellously rich, and in the valleys and along the low-lying stretches between the mountains and the sea its fertility is unsurpassable. New Zealand's sheep are famous; great quantities of its excellent mutton are exported, and the fine quality of the wool places it in constant demand among manufacturers everywhere. [illegible] Europe are butter, cereals, fruit, fish and oysters, and all have met with so much favor in those great competitive marts that the demand is constant and increasing. If the people wish to grow cotton they can do so; flax and other plants useful in the industries are cultivated in great abundance. The minerals of New Zealand include in inexhaustible quantity coal, iron and gold, whilst over its innumerable rapids and waterfalls there is going to waste every day power enough to turn the wheels of all the industrial plants in the country for all time. As for the people, Mr. Lloyd does not stint his praise of them and their personal qualities.

"It is a white man's country if there ever was one, and the people of the country with more than the European or American average of energy, physique, intelligence, honesty and industry. These people are the most homogeneous blend of the Anglo-Saxon race to be found anywhere. The English strain is predominant, with the Scottish next, the Irish next (and the Welsh well represented). There is practically no other intermixture, as the foreigners and Maoris are too few to affect the strain."

The author says that although the people of New Zealand do not live lives altogether blissful "they certainly are the least uncivilized, the least unselfish, the least unhappy and the least disinherited people in the world."

Naturally, the writer devotes a considerable portion of his space to the laws of this remarkable people, and those who read the article in the Atlantic will there obtain a clear and compact view of the labor legislation, land laws, graduated income tax, and old age pension system which have attracted to New Zealand the attention of political economists in all parts of the world. One is quite ready to accept Mr. Lloyd's assertion that the New Zealanders are leading the world in these questions, and that:

"New Zealand is the 'experiment station' of advanced legislation. Reforms that others have been only talking about New Zealand has put in practice, and it has anticipated the others in some they had not even begun to talk about."

It is strange that the author of this interesting article, an American writer with remarkable powers of observation, should conclude as the one result of his stay in the Antipodes that New Zealand is not likely to remain a part of the British Empire. He declares that from the conditions he found there and from his conversations with the people he foresees:

"The claim that holds these people to Old England lengthening into invisibility."

But this can hardly be a correct estimate of the sentiments of the people of New Zealand. Mr. Lloyd has been led astray, for it is a fact which it is impossible to explain away that when Britain went to war with the South African Republics, New Zealand was the first of the colonies to offer aid, and the contingent from New Zealand had to wait in Capetown till the Canadian Thousand arrived so that they could have a common welcome. People who are thinking of throwing off all connection with the Mother Country do not do things like that; therefore it is evident Mr. Lloyd has been led into a mistake in his conclusion about the separation of New Zealand from the Empire. As one of our Eastern contemporaries, commenting upon this writer's remarks points out, Americans are rather fond of discovering "break-away" sentiments in Canada, for example, and as everybody knows, when one is looking for such sentiments amongst a people, one is almost certain to encounter those who talk that sort of thing. Mr. Lloyd has probably been deceived in this respect by a few growlers in the Eden of the Southern Pacific.

It is the intention of the discoverer and owner of the only lithia water spring in Western Canada, Mr. Tompkins of Vancouver, to erect a large sanitarium and make other improvements at Albert Canyon, in the Rockies, where the spring is situated. He will also advertise the place extensively and try to attract tourists. He deserves to succeed.

Antwerp is suffering in rather a curious way from the war. Two thousand five hundred diamond cutters are idle and smashes among the diamond firms are daily expected. The entire stock of rough diamonds is exhausted, and the price has gone up 100 per cent.

Some worthy philologist has discovered that General Joubert's name is pure Celtic—"bert" or "bret" meaning height, and "jou" indicating pine tree. Hence his name means "Mount of Pines." At any rate he is a chip off the old block.

It is stated that no fewer than 50,000 medical examiners are employed by the life assurance companies of Canada and the United States, and about five million dollars is paid in fees to them every year.

The Inland Sentinel is bravely keeping up the agitation for good roads. There ought to be abundant sympathy for such a movement. We wish success to our Kamloops contemporary; it is ably voicing our sentiments on that question.

Colonel Ian Hamilton wins the first Victoria Cross in the war. He is General White's chief of staff, and led the way with great gallantry at Elandslaagte.

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HOME NURSING SOCIETY.

Annual Report Read at Yesterday's Meeting in the City Hall—The Year's Work.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Home Nursing Society was held in the City Hall yesterday morning, when Mrs D. W. Higgins was re-elected president, Mrs. A. J. C. Galletly vice-president, and Miss Perrin secretary-treasurer. The annual report was in part as follows:

A society that is three years old and in that time can report a steadily increasing work and satisfactory balance sheet, may be considered a part of the working machinery of a city, and it can appeal with confidence for increased help and support in the future of its career.

It has become the custom to publish a quarterly statement of work done, so that the annual report is only a repetition of these statements, showing from years to year how greatly the work of the society is needed and appreciated.

The days have gone by when district nursing was considered unnecessary; the days of opposition have gone also, as it is now seen and known that there cannot possibly be any interference with other nurses, and that the Home Nursing Society is allowed to do only that work which no one else undertakes. The committee is always most careful to investigate all cases applying for the services of the nurse, and although constantly asked to undertake "those who can pay," the answer is always given that the object of the society is to help those whose circumstances are such that they cannot afford to make any return in money.

The committee, which is representative of all the religious bodies in the city, also wish it to be thoroughly understood that the services of the nurse are given to patients entirely irrespective of their religious belief.

During the past twelve months, from December 1st, 1898, to November 30th, 1899, forty-seven regular cases have been under Miss Ellingson's care, fifteen maternity, twenty-five medical and seven surgical. The number of visits paid has been 647. These figures show a large increase over last year, and the committee are already recognizing the fact that before very long the service of a second nurse will be indispensable.

During the past year it has been possible to give Miss Ellingson some much needed assistance.

With the consent of those who subscribed some years ago to a fund for the Victorian Order of Nurses, the sum collected in the city was handed over to the Home Nursing Society, and this has enabled the committee to pay for extra help when it was needed. It will be seen in the financial statement that a separate account has been kept of this money.

The society also bears the expenses of medicines, and it takes this opportunity of thanking the druggists, who either supply the goods at the lowest price or deduct a large discount from the bill when paid.

In the work much assistance is given by the Friendly Help Association. Its visitors are asked to report any cases of sickness, and they are always most kind in seeing that fuel and food are supplied whenever it is required, and as the work of the nurse is always carried on under a medical man, the committee wish to acknowledge their gratitude for the willing assistance given by doctors in the city.

Last year the starting of the "Home Sewing Society" was chronicled, its object being to provide clothing for the nurse's patients and for the patients' children. So successful has its undertaking proved, that now, when only a year old, it is a full fledged and officered society. This committee wishes to express its thanks to Miss Ramsdale for her energetic work and to Mrs. Percy Wollaston for her kindness in allowing the use of her house for the meetings, and for her personal interest in the undertaking.

The financial condition of the society may be considered satisfactory. Of course it is entirely dependent on subscriptions, and again the committee would suggest that while the larger sums are essential, the regular monthly payment of 25 cents or 50 cents is of the greatest assistance. The work of the Home committee has been thoroughly done; they visit as required by the nurse, and, when necessary, assist in providing any special food, which, owing to circumstances, the patients are unable to procure.

The committee cannot close their report without publicly expressing to Miss Ellingson their appreciation of her work.

USED BY BRITISH SOLDIERS IN AFRICA.

Capt. C. G. Dennison is well known all over Africa as commander of the forces that captured the famous rebel Galishe. Under date of November 4th, 1897, from Vryburg, Bechuanaland, he writes: "Before starting on the last campaign I bought a quantity of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which I used myself when troubled with bowel complaint, and had given to my men, and in every case it proved most beneficial." For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

A PHYSICIAN is not always at hand. Guard yourself against sudden coughs and colds by keeping a bottle of Pain-Killer in the house. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c. and 50c.

Thunder can be heard at a distance of 14 miles.

Cottage In Port

A Rough Passage Across Queen Charlotte Sound—The Bird Murder Trial.

Indictments Brought Against Prominent Seattle Men for Taking the Totem.

Steamer Cottage City arrived this morning from Alaskan mail ports after one of the roughest trips she has made since she came around from the Atlantic to run on this coast. The passage of Queen Charlotte Sound was especially rough, and had the steamer not been so powerful, Capt. Jensen says, she would have been unable to force her way through the tempestuous seas, and would have been forced to return and await an abatement of the storm. She was partly under water during the greater portion of the time in Queen Charlotte Sound. At Sitka, too, heavy weather was encountered, and every hawser on the vessel was put out to hold her. "The trip was one of the worst I have ever made," said Capt. Jensen, "a living gale blew the whole time."

There were about eighty passengers on the steamer, nearly all from coast points. Among the passengers was Col. Lunten, surveyor general for Alaska, with headquarters at Sitka. News was given by the passengers of an arrival at Skagway of a man from Cape Nome, who is organizing a company to work some properties on a creek about 25 miles back of Anvil creek.

Arrivals from Juneau tell of the trial of J. Homer Bird, who is accused of the murder of three companions on the Yukon this spring. The last witness for the prosecution, Norma Strong, a woman who accompanied the accused from New Orleans, was giving evidence, telling all the details of the murder of the three men, she having witnessed the crime. The accused's wife, who went to Juneau from New Orleans to be present at the trial, was not allowed in the court room. Conviction seemed certain when the Cottage City left.

The Juneau Dispatch of November 4, received by the Cottage City, has a long account of the indictment of the Seattle excursionists who are accused of stealing the totem pole from Tongas Island. Those against whom indictments have been brought, says the Dispatch, are Edgar Piper, editor of the Seattle, P.-I; Prosch, capitalist; E. F. Blaine, attorney; Hon. William Thompson, attorney; Mr. Bell, Rev. Lloyd, Mr. Latimer, manager of the Dexter Bank, and one other party, whose name could not be learned. The list is subject to correction, as it was given from an unofficial source.

From Skagway comes news that a stream of laborers have been pouring through that city for some time past from British Columbia and the Sound to the interior to work on the extension being built to the W. P. & Y. RR. From 10 to 25 arrive on every steamer says the Alaskan. The men, who are for the Cariboo extension are being paid $3 per day, with $1 detracted for board. Two cooks named Eaton and Glass, who are employed at the railway camp, were found guilty of stealing provisions and selling them to outsiders. Each was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment at Tagish.

Mr. Heney says it is the intention of the railway company to give work to all who apply for it, and the company will need many men later on, and they feel that many will desert them to go to Dawson and Cape Nome. Work of grading the rocky front along Lake Bennett has been begun. One hundred men are engaged in drilling and blasting and handling the rock. The camps along the lake will be increased as the lake freezes. As soon as Lake Bennett freezes the Red Line transportation service will be established between Bennett and lower Le Barge. Two hundred teams will be put on to carry freight, mail and passengers. Snow is six inches deep on the trail above Cariboo.

On her way down the steamer passed the steamer Coquitlam in Johnstone straits, the Thistle off Salmon river and the Danube leaving Departure Bay.

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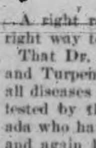

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GIRL WANTED—14 Stanley avenue.

BOY WANTED—Age from 15 to 18. Apply 59 Government street.

WANTED—Girl to assist in light house work and care of two children. Apply Mrs. J. Fred. Hume, [illegible]

WANTED—Old copper, brass, zinc, lead, scrap iron, rope, canvas and sacks; highest prices given. Apply Victoria Junk Agency, 30 Store street. B. Aaronson, Agent.

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WANTED—Lady Agents for Surment and Paris Female Pills; guaranteed safe, prompt, reliable. Salary and commission. Address Medical Agency of Paris, Tower House, Main street, Seattle.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—3 fine lots on Stanley avenue for $500 each. Lot, corner Stanley avenue and Cadboro Bay road; price $600. A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street.

UNDER THE POWER OF SALE contained in an Indenture dated 15th January, 1897, registered in Land Registry Office, Victoria, in Charge Book, vol. 14, folio 562, the undermentioned property is offered for sale, viz.: The east 30 feet of Lot 10, Block D, Harbor Estate, City of Victoria, on Henry street. Tenders are invited up to 12 o'clock noon on 16th December, 1899, by undersigned. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. W. H. Mason, Agent to the Mortgagee, 6 Bastion Square.

TO MARRIED LADIES—"Surment," the latest French Discovery. Send self-addressed envelope with stamp enclosed to Medical Agency of Paris, Tower House, Main street, Seattle.

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TO RENT—Housekeeping rooms, modern conveniences. Apply Times office.

TO LET—5 roomed house on Fairfield road, near the cemetery; rent, $6.00; water free. 4 roomed cottage at Esquimalt; rent, $4.00. 7 roomed house on Edmonton road, with bathroom, hot and cold water, stable, two lots; rent, $10; water free. 3 cottages (5 rooms) on Macaskill street, Victoria West; rent, $5.00; water free. A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street.

TO LET—A ten roomed house, with modern conveniences. Apply 7 Blanchard street.

TO LET—Comfortably furnished rooms, modern conveniences. Apply 7 Blanchard street.

TO-LET—3 Cottages—one 5 roomed and bath, Rent $6; one 4 roomed, furnished, $6, and one 4 roomed, $3; all including water. Apply to A. Williams, 104 Yates street.

TO LET—Furnished front room for gentleman; use of parlor, fire, piano; private family; $6.00 monthly; references. S., Times Office.

TO LET—Suite of six rooms, with fire-proof vault, suitable for offices, in old Post Office building, Government street. Apply Public Works Office, New Post Office.

TO LET—The Philharmonic Hall, Fort street. Has been completely renovated and is now in first-class condition. The hall is centrally located, on the car line, and is the best in the city for dances, public meetings and entertainments of any kind. Terms reasonable. Apply to F. G. Richards & Co., No. 15 Broad St.

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EDUCATIONAL.

COMMERCIAL COURSE—Evening class [illegible] formed early in January in book-[illegible] including commercial arithmetic, [illegible] correspondence, etc. Arrangements can be made for private instruction in this or other branches. For terms, etc., apply to Dr. S. D. Pope, personally or by letter, at 119 Government street, or 74 Kingston street.

SCAVENGERS.

JULIUS WEST, General Scavenger, successor to John Dougherty—Yards and cesspools cleaned; contracts made for removing earth, etc. All orders left with James Fell & Co., Fort street, grocers; John Cochrane, corner Yates and Douglas streets, will be promptly attended to. Residence, 50 Vancouver street. Telephone 136.

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Prices, 25c., 50c., 75c. and $1.00. Seats on sale at Victoria Book & Stationery Store.

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NOTICE—Having taken over the wood business lately carried on by R. Harris at Victoria & Sidney Station Wood Yard, all orders telephoned to No. 511 will be promptly attended to. Also general teaming. F. H. Lindsay.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 8.—5 a. m.—The area of low pressure has, since yesterday, rapidly traversed the province, and is now central over Alberta and Saskatchewan. The barometer has risen again along the Coast and has been accompanied by heavy rainfall in California and Oregon. Winter weather, unsettled conditions, will still prevail.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday.

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southwest and west winds, unsettled, with rains.

Lower Mainland—Southwesterly winds, unsettled, with rains.

Report.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.87; temperature, 44; minimum, 40; wind, 7 miles S.; rain, .09; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster — Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, calm; rain, .16; weather, fair.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, 8 miles E.; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.58; temperature, 26; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Neah, Wash.—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 44; minimum, 40; wind, 10 miles W.; rain, .78; weather, rain.

Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 8 miles S. W.; rain, .28; weather, rain.

Tacoma—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 10 miles S. W.; rain, .24; weather, cloudy

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 46; minimum, 42; wind, 10 miles W.; rain, .14; weather, rain.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.

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—To-morrow will be "Red Letter Day" at the Dominion Trading Stamp Co.'s show rooms.

—Please call at Russell's, 134 Douglas street, anytime before Xmas and bring the children with you; it will delight them and please you.

—To-night the Pioneers of B. C. dine at the Dominion hotel, this being the occasion of the annual banquet of the society. The Sons of England will hold their banquet at the Dawson on Dec. 25th.

—The treasurer of the Royal Jubilee hospital has received a contribution of $40 to the funds of the institution, this amount having been raised by subscription at the residence of Mr. Justice Drake.

—Mrs. Spain delivered an address at the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the Rescue Home yesterday. Tenders for the purchase of the Home property will be received not later than to-morrow by H. C. Hall.

—Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their goods. If they do they are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore kept always before you.

—A meeting of the special committee for receiving and distributing Christmas donations for the Friendly Help Society will meet at the close of the Women's Council meeting on Monday afternoon at the city hall for the purpose of discussing arrangements for the distribution of the holiday gifts.

—Drill Hall concert to-morrow night.

—A petition is being circulated asking the government to increase the telegraphic facilities and trails on the West Coast, the object being to provide for ready communication with the Coast in cases of shipwreck and other emergences. The petition is on view for signature at the Seamen's Mission on Store street.

—An address in the interest of the Presbyterian church million dollar fund was delivered in St. Paul's church, Victoria West, last night by Rev. E. D. McLaren, of Vancouver, convener for the synod of British Columbia. Rev. W. Leslie Clay is vice-convener for the same committee. Another meeting in the interests of the same fund will be deliver in Knox and St. Columba's churches to-night. Next Sunday he will address the St. Andrew's, St. Aidan's and Cedar Hill congregations.

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—The Board of Union, I.O.O.F., meets in the library of the hall on Douglas street to-morrow at 8 p.m.

—Have you seen the $1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

—The Big Four, which has so often delighted Victoria audiences, has in rehearsal a number of new selections which they promise to present at an early date. The list includes a number of sacred numbers.

—Susan, an Indian woman, whose intoxication was so pronounced that she had to be taken to the police station in a hack, was this morning fined $5 and the amount of the hack charges by Police Magistrate Hall.

—Charlie Sheppard, only son of the chief of police, was removed to the Jubilee Hospital two days ago, suffering from an internal disorder. He is resting quietly and his medical attendants report him progressing well.

—To-morrow forenoon at 11 o'clock the Bishop of Columbia will conduct a service at Christ Church cathedral to invoke Divine blessing on the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women, which is set for the following Monday afternoon at the city hall.

—At the second of the Advent series of organ recitals at St. John's church, to be given on Sunday next after evensong, Mr. Longfield will be assisted by the following vocalists: the Misses Lugrin, Miss Schwengers and Mr. A. T. Goward; solo violin, Mr. Jesse Longfield.

—Rev. Thos. Grundy officiated yesterday at the funeral of the late Henry Thos. Peter, which took place from the residence of R. Hampton, Third street, to the Cedar Hill cemetery. The pallbearers were as follows: Messrs. Davidson, Clover, Reid, Tway, W. G. Anderson and J. H. Meldram.

—Two of the best known of the "Old Guard" of Cariboo miners are in the city for the winter and a re-union of half a dozen of the pioneers of those days took place in Chief Sheppard's office this morning. The two gentlemen named, John Pinkerton and John Butts, went to Cariboo in 1862 and 1863 respectively.

—The annual election of officers for Majestic Council, Royal Arcanum, took place last night, the following being elected: Past regent, W. J. Dowler; regent, J. W. Bolden; vice-regent, R. R. Watson; orator, E. E. Wootton; secretary, Robert Jenkinson; collector, Joseph Sears; treasurer, W. B. Gage; chaplain, J. E. Church; guide, R. T. Ely; warden, G. Mittlestale; sentinel, W. M. Sutherland.

—Notwithstanding that the telegraphic dispatches last night which indicated the defeat of the Greenway government in Manitoba, there were many Prairie province-Liberals who refused to believe it possible that the Premier had met defeat. One of these was J. C. Morgan, of the New York Life, who was willing to bet that the news was untrue, and that the government remained triumphant. The result pas a stake of $50 between himself and C. E. Jones, the sum being placed to the credit of the B. C. Protestant Orphanage should the report prove true. Mr. Jones this morning wired his sympathies to Mr. Morgan.

—The regular weekly concert (Saturday popular) will be held in Temperance hall to-morrow evening. An excellent programme has been provided. Among the attractions offered will be the recitation of Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade" by Mr. R. O. Clarke, late sergeant in 11th Hussars, who will appear in the uniform of the Light Brigade; he will also give an exhibition of sword and lance exercise in which he is a master. The following ladies and gentlemen have also kindly consented to assist: Misses McDonald, Miss Vigelius, Miss Chapman, Mrs. Westcott, Miss Wilson, Messrs. Cave, Charlesworth and J. G. Brown.

—An expert from Seattle is at present on the Gordon river examining the properties there. Spokane and Seattle men are quietly securing options on many of the prospects there, knowing that in a very short time the attention of mining men will be directed to the coast and they will realize handsomely on their investment. Some of the experts who recently went up with John Braden to look at the iron properties on Barclay Sound, some of which they acquired, stated that in all their experience they had never seen a country so well mineralized or possessing leads of such extent.

—Don't miss the promenade concert at the Drill Hall to-morrow evening.

—St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, was well filled upon the occasion of the reopening of the edifice after its recent enlargement. The rededication of the church was performed by the Bishop of Columbia, the rector, Rural Dean Barber, reading the prayers; Canon Beanlands the lessons, and Archdeacon Scriven preaching. The choral service was led by the choir under the leadership of Mr. C. W. Jenkinson. The addition to the church is in the form of a transept and almost doubles the seating accommodation of the church. The response to the appeal for funds was most liberal, and the original contract price is almost raised, although it is only two months since the change was decided upon. The building committee consisted of Rev. W. D. Barber and Messrs. Prince, Finmore and Penwill. The general committee consists of Sir Henry Crease, Hon. P. O'Reilly, Capt. Gaudin, Beaumont Boggs, H. Brackman, P. R. Brown, E. J. Eyres, C. W. Jenkinson, H. C. Martin, J. Mitchell, C. T. Penwill, R. J. Russell, S. Shore and C. B. Wilson. The contractor for the work was Mr. J. J. Collins, who, together with Mr. Willard, who did the painting, performed his duties in an admirable manner. The architect was Mr. Jas. Finmore.

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—Excellent music at the Drill Hall concert to-morrow evening.

—A meeting of the general investigating committee into the Sorby harbor scheme was held this morning when it was decided to purchase the requisite plant for prosecuting the test borings at once.

—Among th candidates reported defeated at the elections yesterday in Manitoba is P. C. McIntyre, M.P.P., a brother of H. R. McIntyre of the Times. His opponent in Winnipeg North was Dr. Neilson.

—City Electrician Hutcheson, with the assistance of the members of the fire department, has been going over the city wires for the last two days endeavoring to locate the defect in the system which is responsible for the demoralization of part of the electric alarm system. They have been unable, so far, to find the break.

Grand Matinee at Savoy Theatre, Saturday, at 2 p.m. Reduced prices.

—Chief Deasy of the fire brigade has received the following from S. W. Read, which is self-explanatory: "Now that the Christmas season is again upon us, and not forgetting the valuable service rendered by yourself and the 'boys' in April last, will you and each of your members accept at my hands a small token in the way of a pair of suspenders made especially for firemen by the Dominion Suspender Company, which I trust will aid the 'boys' to 'brace up' and thoroughly enjoy themselves during the holiday season."

—Hear the Fifth Regiment band at the Drill Hall to-morrow evening.

—St. James hall was fairly well filled last evening at an entertainment gotten up by Miss A. Russell in aid of the hall fund. Mr. H. Russell, Mr. W. T. Williams and Mr. Coles sang, the latter receiving vociferous applause for his spirited rendering of the "Runaway Girl." the comic element appealing to the audience. Miss Russell, Miss Shrapnell and Miss Schwengers also contributed solos. The piece de resistance was a farce entitled "The Jack Trust," portraying the vicissitudes of Lord Jack in extricating himself from various entanglements. Mr. Coles made a capital Lord Jack, Mr. Allen was irresistible as Miss Eula K., keeper of the boarding house. Miss Sorby put plenty of spirit into her role as the maid who has to join sides with all parties, and Miss Alma Russell, Miss Agnes Russell and Miss Trimen looked charming as the young ladies, and last but not least, Mr. Futcher added much in the success of the farce as prompter. Altogether the entertainment went off well and netted a substantial addition to the funds.

—The Fifth Regiment band promenade concert at the drill hall to-morrow evening promises to be one of the best in the series, the programme has been carefully chosen to suit all tastes, and is sure to draw a large audience. Quite a few "first time" numbers will be rendered, among which is "Impecunious Davis," a new cake walk, the latest work from the pen of Kerry Mills, the composer of "A Georgia Camp Meeting," and "Whistling Rufus." The complete programme follows:

PART I.

Overture—"Crown Diamonds" (first time) ..... Auber
Selection fr. "The Highwayman" (first time) ..... De Koven
Czardas—"Last Love" (first time) Braham
(On Theme from an Old Hungarian Song.)
Waltzes—"Homage to the Ladies" ..... Waldteufel

PART II.

March—"Nuptial" ..... Mendelssohn
(Complimentary to Major A. W. Jones.)
(a) Caprice—"The Butterfly's Ball". Reeves
(b) Two-Step—"Impecunious Davis" (first time) ..... Kerry Mills
Popular Selection fr. "Clorindy"... Marion
"The Origin of the Cake Walk."
March—"The Dandy Fifth" ..... Devlin
God Save the Queen.

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—Drill Hall concert to-morrow night.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

Steamer Energia, Capt. Chaplin, of the N. P. chartered line, arrived this morning, eighteen days from Kobe and Yokohama. She did not bring any passengers and comparatively little freight. There were about 100 tons of the usual Chinese merchandise, rice, etc., for this port. The passage was a rough one. No shipping was seen off the Cape. The Energia is a big three-masted steamer with two funnels, belonging to the Mogul line, whose steamer Mogul and Pathan have been in the Dodwell service before to-day. She is a vessel of 3,569 tons gross, 2,064 net, with compound engines of 3,500 h.p. Her speed is about eleven knots. She was delayed on the trip across as she stood high out of the water. A full cargo is awaiting her on the Sound for her outward passage.

Steamer Breconshire, Capt. Elliott, of the N.P. line, arrived at the outer wharf from Tacoma this morning, just as the Energia was arriving inbound, en route to Japanese and Chinese ports. She was crowded to her capacity with freight, and had a heavy deck load of lumber for Japan. As, in the case of every liner that has sailed for months back, she was compelled to refuse cargo. What she took was mostly through railway freight, cotton, flour, etc. There was about 4,300 tons in all, exclusive of the heavy deck load. The Breconshire will make another trip for the N. P. line, after discharging her cargo in the Far East.

The bark Ferris Thompson, which has arrived at the Sound after a long trip from San Francisco, reports that she sighted a small schooner which was at the mercy of the waves with only a small jib. This was insufficient to keep the schooner before the wind, and when last seen by the Thompson she was being tossed unmercifully in the trough of the sea. Many are inclined to think that the schooner sighted was the American Girl, which sailed from San Francisco on the same day as did the Thompson, and which is now out over 60 days. Unless she meets with assistance there is small hope for the vessel.

British bark Ravenscourt arrived at Port Townsend yesterday eight days from Panama, and was sent into quarantine. Yellow fever broke out at Panama and Captain A. R. Scott, the mate and three sailors were stricken and sent ashore. Three sailors were seized and died a few days after sailing. Three more cases developed and one sailor died. There were no new cases in the last fifty days of the voyage.

The barge Skookum, which was here with several excursions during the last summer, has been chartered to carry 4,500 tons of freight to Cape Nome. On her arrival she is to be transformed into a floating warehouse or wharf. The barge is of such build that she can be drawn up on the beach at high tide, in a favorable position, thus forming a connection between the steamers and the land.

Muirhead & Mann have received the contract for the construction of the new cabin and passenger accommodation for the C.P.N. steamer Amur. The work will be commenced at once and rushed to completion. Many inquiries are being received at both the C.P.N. office and at that of the owners of the Alpha for passage to Cape Nome, and in regard to freight arrangements.

A dispatch from Portland says: Marine men believe the ship Enoch, from Panama to Portland, which took on a pilot off the mouth of the Columbia river November 17, has been blown to the northward by the recent gales. She has not been spoken by any of the large number of vessels which have arrived within the past few days.

Special advices from Washington state that the United States revenue launch service, established at Port Townsend four years ago to prevent smuggling from British Columbia into the United States will be discontinued. The two launches, Guard and Scout, will be attached to the United States cutter Grant.

Captain D. V. Arenase, of the wrecked bark Libertad, is at Vancouver telling his story to the local consular agent of the Peruvian government under whose flag the Libertad sailed. To substantiate the story of the captain, the consul, Mr. Richard Alexander, has sent for the mates of the lost vessel, who went up on the Charmer last evening.

Steamer Boscowitz arrived at Vancouver this morning from Skidegate and northern British Columbia way ports. She is discharging salmon, and will proceed to Steveston this evening to discharge the balance of her cargo. She will arrive here to-morrow evening and will sail again for the North on Monday evening.

The attention of builders, contractors and others is drawn to the auction sale on Monday next at the City Auction Mart by order of H. M. customs of the barkentine Jane G. Falkenberg and the cargo, consisting of about 130,000 good, rough, and 45,000 feet dressed lumber suitable for building purposes. Mr. W. Jones is the auctioneer.

Steamer Reindeer, which now lies in winter quarters at Five Fingers, is advertised for sale by Mr. A. L. Belyea. Tenders will be received by him for the purchase of the river steamer. The Reindeer was built and registered at Victoria last year.

There were three big liners at the outer wharf this morning, the Cottage City arrived from Alaskan ports, the Energia from Oriental ports and the Breconshire was there making her final preparations for her voyage to the Orient.

Steamer Bloemfontein is now due on the Sound from Honolulu. She has been chartered by the Waterhouse Co. to replace the freighters taken by the United States government.

Bark Theobald has entered at the customs house. She did so in order to go on the ways at Esquimalt. She will be hauled out this afternoon, when the Highland Light will be launched.

The Port Townsend Leader says the steamer Garland and tug Tacoma were within an ace of colliding owing to a confusion of whistles on Sunday night last.

Schooner Rattler of the N.A.T.T. Co., which left Kadiak on October 10th for San Francisco, has been posted as missing at Lloyd's for some time past.

Tug Lorne yesterday took the bark Edward May to Oyster Bay from Departure to complete loading her coal cargo for Honolulu.

Capt. R. B. Jones, master of the steamer Glenogle, died on November 29 while his vessel was en route to Manila.

Owing to the long trips being made by the colliers there is a coal shortage at San Francisco and Honolulu.

The tide rose 16 feet at Seattle yesterday, says the Seattle Times, and covered several of the wharves.

Tug Lorne goes to Vancouver to-day to tow the British ship Kate F. Troop to Port Townsend for a crew.

Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1:10 p.m. She connected with the train.

—Take in the promenade concert at the Drill Hall to-morrow evening.

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Old Ironsides	110	101
Knob Hill	90	85
Rathmullen	7¾	7
Brandon & Golden Crown	29½	28
Morrison	10	9
Winnipeg	31½	30
Athabasca	37	33
Dundee	18	....
Dardanelles	12	10½
Noble Five	20	19
Payne	113	107
Rambler Cariboo Con	60	58
Wonderful Group	5	2
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	38.00	33.00
Tamarac	13	11
Republic	117	113
Deer Trail No. 2	18	15½
Bonanza	17	....
Okanagan	11	9
Van Anda	7	6
Big 3	13	11½
Deer Park	3	2
Evening Star	9	8¼
Iron Mask	71	....
Homestake	5	....
Montreal Gold Fields	10	8½
Monte Christo Con	8	6¾
Northern Belle	2	1½
Novelty	3	1¾
St. Paul	2	1
Silver Bell Con	3	1¼
St. Elmo	6	3
Virginia	9	6
Victory Triumph	5	3½
War Eagle Con	279	275
White Bear	4	3½
I. X. L.	22	19½
B. C. Gold Fields	4	3¾
Canadian G. F. S.	8	7
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Provincial News.

NEW DENVER.

Rumors galore are current respecting railway development in the lake country next spring. These seem to have their foundation first, in the operation of a Kaslo & Slocan survey party recently between here and Three Forks; and secondly, in the visit of C. E. Perry to Ten Mile camp in the interests of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

CHILLIWACK.

The anniversary services of Carman Methodist church were held on Sunday and Monday, and were much enjoyed by the congregation. Rev. Principal Sipprell of Columbian College preached. The entertainment on Monday evening was largely attended despite unfavorable weather, and the programme was of unusual excellence.

The Chilliwack Agricultural Society held its annual meeting on Monday in the Court House. The secretary stated that except for the $300 municipal prize, the receipts and expenditures were about the same as last year, and after paying all expenses a balance of $81.90 remained in the hands of the society. Membership fees amounted to $105, a gain over last year of $14.50. Notwithstanding the very unfavorable weather on the second day, the gate receipts reached the sum of $223, a gain of nearly $20 upon the preceding year. The number of entries was about as last year, but the exhibits were fewer.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Alderman Scott has taken to his bed as the result of a severe attack of la grippe, which he has been fighting for some days.

A merchant complains that a peddler is going about the hill selling fish, in the course of which he is using steel-yards or spring scales. The license inspector has been notified, and if he catches the offender he may succeed, as he did some years ago, in securing the imposition of a $100 fine for this flagrant breach of the law.

The wedding of one of our champion lacrosse boys took place on Tuesday, when the Rev. R. Whittington, D.D., in Vancouver united in the bonds of matrimony Mr. Wellesley Gray and Miss Nellie Jones. Mr. W. S. Galbraith, another of the Royal City's star defence players, acted as best man.

A 90-lb halibut was caught in the Gulf off the mouth of the Fraser river, the other day, by one of the fishermen working for the Cleave Canning & Cold Storage Company of this city. About the same time one of Messrs. Boutillier & Co.'s fishermen also caught one weighing 70 lbs. From this it would seem that these valuable fish are to be got much nearer here than was supposed, but whether in sufficient quantities to make fishing operations lucrative remains to be demonstrated. The sturgeon fishing this season does not appear to be as profitable as last year, which also was a poor season compared with 1897. Fishermen claim the reason is, primarily, the multiplicity of salmon-nets in the Fraser river during the salmon-fishing season. They say the sturgeon follow the schools of sockeyes all the way to the spawning grounds, but this year the number which missed the nets reached Pitt lake and other favorite haunts, only to find a scarcity of the food they were in search of, and so returned to salt water. Here they are now feeding in considerable numbers on mussels, clams, etc., and there are more now being caught off the sandheads than in the river proper.

NELSON.

J. K. Salter, of the tug Ymir, who went to the hospital a week ago with a broken rib, has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital.

W. Baker, of New Westminster has arrived in Nelson. He will be employed as freight clerk in the C.P.R. freight shed.

Chief of Police Jarvis has instructed Constable Hardy to take into custody and impound any horses or cattle running at large within the city limits.

The voting upon the money by-laws, the Canadian Pacific Railway by-law and the Madden by-law passed off very quietly on Wednesday. The vote was very light, but as no opposition was made to the passage of any of the by-laws, the members of the city council who interested themselves in bringing out a favorable vote rolled up large majorities in each instance. The total vote recorded was 203 out of 663 names upon the voters' list.

When in Nelson, Paul Johnson, of the Greenwood smelter, which is now in course of construction, exhibited a few specimens of ore from the Mother Lode mine, which is owned by the people who are building the smelter. The ore was yellow and copper iron pyrites, carrying 7 to 8 per cent. copper and $14 to $15 in gold; yellow copper and lime rock carrying 12 per cent. copper and $8 in gold; and yellow copper and iron ore, carrying 9 to 10 per cent. copper and $10 to $12 in gold. The vein is 180 feet wide on the surface, and a shaft is down to 320 feet. The smelter will start with one 300 ton furnace, and it is laid out so that six additional furnaces can be added as required. Mr. Johnson claims that they will be smelting 2,000 tons of ore a day inside of two years, and doing it at a price not above $4 a ton.

A meeting of the Nelson merchants who are interested in securing good shipping facilities was held on Monday evening for the purpose of determining what action should be taken with a view to securing for Nelson shipping facilities in keeping with the trade of the city. The feeling of the meeting was that a new wharf should be built rather than that $5,000 should be frittered away in attempting to repair the present wharf. What the trade required was a new and wider wharf, as well as a warehouse for the storing of goods. The sentiment of the majority of those at the meeting was that an issue should be made of the wharf question at the approaching municipal election, and the influence of the merchants thrown one way in order to ensure fair treatment in the matter of improved shipping facilities.

Fred J. White, of Grand Forks, arrived in the city yesterday and made arrangements to meet his bride at this point and be married. The young lady is Miss Carrie Sigmann, of Brantford, Ontario. The wedding was to have been solemnized at the Hume hotel at 8 o'clock last night, and preparations were made for a sumptuous dinner to follow the ceremony. All was in expectant readiness last night until the arrival of the train from Spokane, which was to bring the bride. Mr. White received a dispatch from his fiancee sent from Devil's Lake, North Dakota, while en route, and it is supposed that the train missed connection with the train for Nelson at Spokane. The belated bride is expected on to-day's train, and if she arrives the wedding will take place to-night.—Wednesday's Tribune.

The committee appointed from the city council on Monday evening to confer with the school board relative to the formation of Nelson as a city school district, met on Wednesday. The result of the conference was that the city will recommend that the city solicitor be instructed to prepare an amendment to the Public School Act, which amendment would make Nelson a city school district. The petition will be presented to the next session of the legislature. It was also agreed to call a joint meeting of the trustees of the Nelson school and the trustees of the Hume school district to meet a special committee appointed by the city council, which will meet on Monday next, and prepare a petition asking the government for an appropriation of $10,000 for the erection and equipment of a high school.

VANCOUVER.

Ex-Ald. R. A. McMorran, of Mount Pleasant, has announced his intention of being in the field in the coming aldermanic contest in that ward.

Ed. Cunningham, the colored lad, committed for trial on the charge of raising a $1 Canadian bill to $10 and issuing same came up before the chief justice for speedy trial on Tuesday. The fact that the work was done in such a clumsy manner that hardly anyone would be deceived by it was taken into consideration. After fully reviewing the case his lordship sentenced the prisoner to two years' hard labor.

There are at present two cases of scarlet fever on Mount Pleasant. Rumors have been in circulation that would indicate that there were more like 32, but those mentioned are the only cases that have developed so far, and these should be the only ones, from the precautions that are being taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

The Rev. Cornelius A. Dyke, was the complainant on the information in a rather peculiar case in the police court on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Dyke is a minister who has been staying in the city for some time on a visit. He charged Mr. J. C. Bishop, the Cordova street merchant, with exhibiting an indecent statuette or mould in his window. Mr. Dyke said that a friend of his had first called it to his attention and he contended that inasmuch as the chief of police would never allow men to give wrestling exhibitions, for instance, without being arrayed in proper suits, the exhibition of the mould in question, being something on the line mentioned, should not be allowed. The mould was produced in court, and his worship decided at once to dismiss the case.

At a meeting of the health committee it was decided to recommend that the new council take into consideration the question of charging the slaughter-houses for the burning of the offal, or else require them to build a crematory specially for the offal accumulated there. The medical health officer, Dr. Maclean, reported that there were five cases of typhoid fever reported during the month, five of measles, one of diphtheria, [illegible] cases of chicken pox, and a total of 28, with one death from typhoid fever. Dr. McEwen's report of the hospital for the month, showed that there were 58 patients at the institution, 48 admitted, 45 discharged and five had died, with 61 remaining. The amount due the hospital for treatment and board of patients was $317.30 and the amount paid in was $246.85.

The regular meeting of the Vancouver Liberal Association was held on Wednesday evening. The question of the Atlin mail service was the principal one discussed. It was decided to memorialise the postoffice department to allow newspapers to go through to Atlin during the winter with the letter mail. The president gave a short address on various questions of political interest. It was decided to have a debate next meeting on the railway policy of the Federal government, particular reference being made to the Crow's Nest Pass line. After a long discussion as to the best day of the week for meeting it was decided not to make any change for the present.

GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, B. C., Dec. 5.—F. M. Holland, general manager of the Dominion Permanent Loan Co., of Toronto, has spent the past week in Grand Forks. He was simply amazed at the progress the city has made since his last trip, a year ago. "The securities held by the Dominion Permanent Loan Co in Grand Forks," said Mr. Holland, "are in every respect most satisfactory. It is encouraging to record that in not one instance has there been a default or even a delay on the part of borrowers in making payments. As a result of the still more encouraging business outlook our company purposes making further extensive investments in this city. The contrast between the town of twelve months ago and the city of to-day is so great that I can scarcely characterize it as a growth; rather will I call it a complete transformation. What impressed me most was the crowded streets, the optimistic feeling pervading all classes, and the substantial character of the business blocks and private dwellings. The permanency and solidity of the city is apparent. All the merchants I interviewed were unanimous in declaring that business during the past season has far exceeded their most sanguine expectations.

"Grand Forks," continued Mr. Holland, "is destined to attain still greater prominence as a distributing centre. It will hold the same relative position in respect of the surrounding mining camps that Spokane enjoys towards another large territory. With business on such a firm foundation, and in the enjoyment of such favorable economic and geographical conditions, all danger of the diversion of business to other towns is past. The construction of a railway between Grand Forks and Republic, with the prospective establishment of additional smelter plants, will contribute to the city's prosperity in marked degree. I regard the growth of other new points in the vicinity of Grand Forks as a sign distinctly favorable to the future growth of the city, as they will be feeders to Grand Forks, the metropolis of the Boundary. Sufficient has already been done in the various mines to demonstrate the enormous extent of their ledges and the richness of their ores. In the midst of this rush for gold and copper, the agricultural possibilities of the Kettle River Valley, I am glad to observe, are not being overlooked. There will be an ample and profitable market for all the fruit and vegetables that can be raised for years to come. I expect another enormous influx to the Boundary in the spring. This was the assurance I received from many sources during my recent stay on the Coast. There will also be a big movement from Eastern Canada," said Mr. Holland in conclusion.

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Mining News

Slocan Items.

Toronto parties, acting through W. S. Drewry, have bonded the Silverite group of five claims from A. C. Allen, J. Cory, S. Foster and J. F. Kelly. These claims are on the Sandon slope and have the Queen Bess lead exposed, showing clean ore in a number of places. The figures involved are believed to be $50,000. W. Koch was given the contract to put up a new bunkhouse, and it is purposed to extensively develop the group during the winter.

The Madison force has been increased to 29 men. The new buildings will be completed in a few days.

Ore shipments from the camp are made up of 40 tons from the Noble Five, 60 from the Rambler-Cariboo and 48 from the native Silver Bell.

Eighteen claims are under bond to the Warner-Miller people in the vicinity of the Skylark and Ranger group. This in itself constitutes quite a camp, the effect of which is being felt in Socan City business circles.

Messrs. MacMaster and Thrasher, of Rochester, New York, have taken over the Hartney group, on Silver mountain, from A. H. Bluemenauer and associates. The property will be steadily developed.

For the past six weeks packers have been busy taking supplies up Ten-mile to the growing camp in the vicinity of the big glacier. The Warner-Miller people are actually developing all their bonded properties, and purpose thoroughly testing each claim. This may also be said of the Mansfield people, and the Glacier camp will be a thriving section from now on.

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THE LATE FREDERICK WILLIAMS.

(Communicated.)

Year by year the sturdy pioneers of British Columbia, having borne the heat and burden of the day, pass to their rest, and leave to a younger generation better and easier conditions as the result of the hard tasks and rugged duties of half a century ago. It was a representative gathering of the men of colonial days who, on Sunday last, followed to the grave the mortal remains of ex-Speaker Frederick Williams.

Mr. Williams in the fifties was a man in his early prime, active, energetic and to the fore-front in all matters of public progress. He took a prominent part in establishing the first lodge of Masons, and bore the honored title of Past Grand Master of that order. He was a member of the Oddfellows' society, too, and it was by these two orders that the funeral services were conducted. It was to the energy of such men as Frederick Williams that the young colony owed much of its progress. He took an active part in securing the erection of St. Paul's church in Esquimalt; he built and established the first Navy Club; he was the first and, for a long time, the only school trustee in Esquimalt. He it was who, in conjunction with the late Col. Foster, was commissioned by Sir James Douglas to determine the location of a public road to connect Esquimalt and Victoria. In 1878 he was called upon to represent Esquimalt in the local parliament, and, upon the retirement of the late Dr. Trimble, Mr. Williams occupied the Speaker's chair. The year 1882 was an exciting one in political circles. For two weeks in the legislature the parties on the floor were evenly divided, Mr. Speaker Williams's casting vote being all that kept the government in power.

In 1885 Mr. Williams, accompanied by his wife, took a journey to the Old Land to revisit old scenes and renew old friendships. Returning next year he led a quiet life and enjoyed a well-earned rest from the turmoils of political life. Five years ago his strength in a measure failed him. We of to-day scarcely realize the physical hardships undergone by the "Fathers of the Colony." They did earnest work in hard places, and it is difficult for us in these days of electric cars, telephones and quick transit to properly estimate the difficulties which faced men who carved a colony out of the heart of pine woods, and laid the sure foundations of this western section of the "Greater Britain."

Mr. Williams, by his integrity, his enterprise and his capacity for work, won the respect of the men of his own generation. But the best part of a man's history is never written, the part which endears him to his fellows. The late Frederick Williams leaves behind him a plenteous share of

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His little, nameless, unremembered acts
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An Ottawa dispatch says the Red Cross movement received a great impetus as a result of a meeting held at Government House yesterday afternoon. In addition to presenting the objects of the Red Cross Society, Lord Minto suggested the formation of a national society for the assistance of disabled men of the Canadian contingent or of their wives and children.

An indignation meeting to protest against England's course in the Transvaal was held the other evening at the American Reformed church, Rochester, N.Y. The meeting was attended not only by the Dutch residents of Rochester, but by others who sympathize with the Boers in their struggle.

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Lot.	Block.	Section.	Lands and Improvements.	Assessed Owner.	Registered Owner.	Total Amount of Taxes due to the 31st Dec. 1898, unpaid 10th Nov., 1899.	Collector's Commission and Contingent expenses of sale.	Total Amount of Taxes, Interest and Costs.
28	14		Land and Imp	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	$ 71 55	6 57	90 75
30	14		Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	24 30	2 60	31 20
46	14		Land and Imp	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	66 30	6 13	84 14
119	A		Land and Imp	Mrs. T. J. Burnes	Catherine Burnes	46 95	4 51	59 75
S. ½ 170a	13		Land and Imp	King & Casey	Michael King & Lewis Casey	154 50	13 52	195 32
Part 171	25		Land and Imp	J. H. Seeley	Part W. C. S. Seeley	31 05	3 17	39 70
do. do.	25		Land and Imp	Mrs. W. C. Seeley	Part Sarah Christina N. M. Morse	27 60	2 88	35 35
do. do.	25		Land	Seeley & Baria	Part W. C. S. Seeley & Emanuel Baria	13 35	1 70	17 40
do. 178	1		Land and Imp	Mrs. D. Fasanaro	Dominic Fasanaro	26 10	2 76	33 47
do. 179	1		Land and Imp	Mrs. D. Fasanaro	Dominic Fasanaro	13 05	1 66	17 01
W. part 180	1		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	105 18	9 40	133 16
E. ½ 287	15		Land and Imp	S. Anderson	Norman H. Van Buren	23 70	2 57	30 62
362a	31a		Land and Imp	Mrs. D. Penny	Mary & Daniel Penny	21 60	2 37	27 77
Part 406	13		Land and Imp	D. J. Adams	James Porter	141 00	12 40	178 31
480	E		Land and Imp	Est. D. Leneveu	David Lenevue	36 90	3 66	47 07
481	E		Land and Imp	Est. D. Leneveu	David Lenevue	42 90	4 16	54 64
482	E		Land and Imp	Est. D. Leneveu	David Lenevue	42 90	4 16	54 64
686	S		Land and Imp	Jas. & Mrs. E. Kaye	James & Elizabeth Kaye	40 50	3 97	51 62
776	16		Land and Imp	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	43 80	4 24	55 74
777	16		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	28 80	2 98	36 85
786	16		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	17 10	2 00	22 12
787	16		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	17 10	2 00	22 12
E. part 784	16		Land and Imp	M. King	Michael King & Lewis Casey	16 32	1 94	21 13
803	10		Land and Imp	R. E. Jackson	Clara Oilena Haggerty	92 25	8 30	116 85
808	10		Land and Imp	King & Casey	Henry John Scott	36 90	3 66	47 06
W. part 809	10		Land	King & Casey	Michael King & Lewis Casey	14 04	1 75	18 27
W. part 810	10		Land	King & Casey	Michael King & Lewis Casey	5 94	1 07	8 06
919	39		Land	Est. J. W. Dissett	Israel Wood Powell	16 20	1 93	20 98
979	9		Land	Est. R. B. Andrews	Richard Bennett Andrews	23 40	2 53	30 05
980	9		Land	Est. R. B. Andrews	Richard Bennett Andrews	23 40	2 53	30 05
1026	Z		Land	J. Bigne	Unregistered	18 00	2 08	23 26
1046	7		Land	Frank Shelton & Lizzie Fleming	Frank Shelton & Lizzie Fleming	14 40	1 78	18 72
W. ½ 1092	18		Land and Imp	L. Casey	Lewis Casey	8 70	1 30	11 53
1093	18		Land	L. Casey	Lewis Casey	14 40	1 78	18 72
W. ½ 1102	18		Land	L. Casey	Lewis Casey	10 80	1 47	14 14
1103	18		Land and Imp	L. Casey	Lewis Casey	35 10	3 52	44 82
1211	28		Land and Imp	Ada Lombard	Ada Lombard	25 20	2 68	32 32
Part 1448	48		Land	A. G. Wills	Albert Wills	1 80	72	2 83
do. 1450	48		Land	A. G. Wills	Albert Wills	9 00	1 33	11 93
5 of 1707-11	60		Land	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry Maurice Dumbleton	19 80	2 23	25 53
6 of 1707-11	60		Land	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry Maurice Dumbleton	19 80	2 23	25 53
Part 1747	60		Land	A. J. Smith	Andrew J. Smith	10 80	1 47	14 17
7 of 1797-8	61		Land	Est. Mrs. Snow	Not Registered	9 00	1 33	11 93
7 of 1777-91	61		Land and Imp	W. H. Flewin	William Hy. Flewin	23 70	2 55	30 42
23 of 1777-91	61		Land	John & Elizabeth Ann Smith	John & Elizabeth Ann Smith	9 90	1 40	13 05
1712	60		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	Edward Collin Neufelder	19 80	2 23	25 53
1713	60		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	Edward Collin Neufelder	19 80	2 23	25 53
1750	60		Land and Imp	Est. D. Lenevue	Edward Collin Neufelder	49 80	4 75	63 35
1751	60		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	Edward Collin Neufelder	19 80	2 23	25 53
1948	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	16 20	1 93	20 98
1949	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	12 60	1 62	16 43
1950	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	12 60	1 62	16 43
1973	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	12 60	1 62	16 43
1974	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	12 60	1 62	16 43
1975	66		Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	18 00	2 08	23 26
5	77	Fort prop'ty	Land and Imp	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	93 60	8 42	118 55
28	8 & 10	Beckley f'm	Land and Imp	Miss M. A. Turner	John Turner	19 80	2 23	25 53
29	8 & 10	do.	Land and Imp	Miss M. A. Turner	John Turner	19 80	2 23	25 53
16	13	do.	Land	Mrs. L. Mallandaine	Edward Mallandaine	21 74	2 40	27 96
17	13	do.	Land and Imp	Edw. Mallandaine	Louisa Mallandaine	21 15	2 34	27 22
6	15-16	do.	Land	Herbert Carmichael	Herbert Carmichael	7 20	1 17	9 63
6 of 3-4	18-19	do.	Land	Mrs. E. Thomas	Elizabeth Thomas	8 10	1 25	10 82
Part 31	20	do.	Land and Imp	Fred McGraw	Fred. McGraw	12 54	1 62	16 36
do. 32	20	do.	Land	Fred. McGraw	Fred. McGraw	1 05	65	1 90
6 of 7-9	22	do.	Land	Thos. Corsan	Thos. Corsan	10 80	1 47	14 15
5	27	do.	Land and Imp	John Armstrong	John Armstrong	17 70	2 05	22 85
18	Chandle	r estate. 68	Land	W. Pattison	J. D. Pemberton	4 32	93	6 03
14	do.	estate. 68	Land	Est. W. R. Clarke	W. R. Clarke	14 40	1 79	18 72
4	1	19	Land	Arthur Bullock	Arthur Bullock	36 00	3 59	45 95
5	1	19	Land	Arthur Bullock	Arthur Bullock	37 98	3 75	48 43
6	1	19	Land	Arthur Bullock	Arthur Bullock	26 46	2 78	33 90
12	5a	68 and 74	Land	John Lawson	John Elliott McRoberts	2 34	77	3 52
28	5a	68 and 74	Land	John Lawson	John Elliott McRoberts	2 34	77	3 52
2	4	74	Land	W. Falconer	W. Falconer	2 16	75	3 28
22	5 acre	Lot 3	Land	T. W. Pierre	J. G. Marshall	8 10	1 25	10 78
9	East ½	5 acre 6	Land	A. Pujol	Auguste Pujol	5 40	1 02	7 37
10	do.	do.	Land	A. Pujol	Auguste Pujol	5 40	1 02	7 37
9	South ½	5 acre 7	Land	Anthony Elliott	Anthony Elliott	14 40	1 77	18 72
C. part 5	5 acre	12	Land	Chas. McTeigh	J. McTeigh	5 76	1 05	7 86
E. part 5	do.	12	Land	P. L. McTeigh	J. McTeigh	5 94	1 07	8 05
W. part 6	do.	12	Land	P. L. McTeigh	J. McTeigh			
C. part 8	do.	12	Land	J. McTeigh	J. McTeigh	6 12	1 08	8 28
11	5 acre	14	Land and Imp	W. H. Croghan	Wm. Hy. Croghan	18 90	2 15	24 38
29	5 acre	15	Land and Imp	Est. W. H. Wheeler	Wm. Hy. Wheeler	17 70	2 05	22 85
30	do.	15	Land and Imp	Est. W. H. Wheeler	Wm. Hy. Wheeler	22 20	2 43	28 55
Part 18	5 acre	17	Land and Imp	King & Casey	M. King & L. Casey	9 75	1 38	12 85
18	5 acre	19	Land	F. H. Curry	Frank Herbert Curry	5 40	1 02	7 37
29	do.	19	Land	C. McTeigh	C. McTeigh	5 40	1 02	7 37
25	5 acre	20	Land and Imp	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	14 10	1 75	18 35
26	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	10 80	1 47	14 17
27	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	10 80	1 47	14 17
28	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	12 60	1 62	16 44
29	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	12 60	1 62	16 44
30	do.	20	Land and Imp	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	27 60	2 88	35 34
31	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	12 60	1 62	16 44
32	do.	20	Land	Joshua Davies	Joshua Davies	12 60	1 62	16 44
Part	2	Spring Ridge	Land and Imp	J. H. Gray	The Hon. J. H. Gray	31 50	3 21	40 28
do.	2	Spring Ridge	Land and Imp	J. H. Gray	The Hon. J. H. Gray	11 40	1 52	14 92
4	39	Spring Ridge	Land and Imp	G. F. Stelly	John W. Williams	6 90	1 15	9 27
	49	Spring Ridge	Land	Geo. Stelly	George Stelly	28 80	2 98	36 85
16	50-3 & C	Spring Ridge	Land and Imp	W. J. King	Jabez H. King	12 00	1 57	15 69
C	57	Spring Ridge	Land and In	Ellen Turner	F. J. Claxton	20 40	2 28	26 28
9	73	Spring Ridge	Land and Imp	M. McKinnon	Michael McKinnon	11 10	1 50	14 57
34	73	Spring Ridge	Land	M. McKinnon	Michael McKinnon	4 50	95	6 25
34	2-3	Fernwood	Land and Imp	J. H. Brownlee	Annie Hind	22 20	2 43	28 56
20 of 2	7-9	Fernwood	Land and Imp	W. Jones	William Jones	9 06	1 33	11 90
49	13 & 17	do. (M'p 270)	Land	Thos. Deasy et al.	Thomas Deasy	1 80	72	2 84
	Pt 21-22	Fernwood	Land and Imp	P. S., Jos., Kate, Anna & John Fenerty	Sarsfield, Joseph, Kate	123 75	10 94	156 56
	Pt. 36	Fernwood			Anna and John Fenerty	36 76	3 65	46 89
7	39	Fernwood	Land and Imp	Chas. Campbell	Olga Baur	25 80	2 73	33 08
29	53 & 64	do. (M'p 333)	Land	R. J. Howden	Robert James Howden	3 78	88	5 31
12	58-59	Fernwood	Land and Imp	Wm. Beaumont	John Oliver	13 80	1 73	17 95
13	69	Fernwood	Land and Imp	Robt. Ewin	Robert Ewin	14 94	1 82	19 40
85	69	Fernwood	Land	J. L. Sutherland	John L. Sutherland	5 05	99	6 92
92	69	Fernwood	Land and Imp	Phillip Rowe	Phillip Rowe	12 54	1 62	16 36
109	69	Fernwood	Land	Mrs. Jennie Reid	Jennie Reid	6 30	1 10	8 50
116	69	Fernwood	Land	Mrs. A. Newman	Erstine Newman	5 04	1 00	6 94
1 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	77	3 53
2 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	76	3 52
3 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	77	3 53
5 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	76	3 52
6 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	80	3 97
7 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	3 60	83	5 06
8 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	79	3 96
9 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	80	3 97
10 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	79	3 96
12 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	80	3 97
13 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	79	3 96
14 of 1	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	80	3 97
4 of 2	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	76	3 52
5 of 2	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	76	3 52
6 of 2	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	79	3 96
7 of 2	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 70	80	3 97
1 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 34	76	3 52
2 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
8 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
10 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
12 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
14 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
16 of 3	71	Fernwood	Land	D. W. McNaughton	Duncan McNaughton	2 16	75	3 28
2	F	Work Estate	Land	A. J. Bechtel	Charles Levy & A. J. Bechtel	11 70	1 55	15 30
11	I	Work Estate	Land	Est. D. Lenevue	David Lenevue	12 60	1 58	16 40
15	Q	Work Estate	Land	N. P. Snowden	N. P. Snowden	8 10	1 25	10 78
16	Q	Work Estate	Land	N. P. Snowden	N. P. Snowden	9 90	1 40	13 05
E. ½ 5	R	Work Estate	Land and Imp	T. W. Pierre	Thomas W. Pierre	8 40	1 27	11 15
W. ½ 5	R	Work Estate	Land and Imp	T. W. Pierre	Thomas W. Pierre	8 40	1 27	11 15
76	5	Hillside Ex. C.	Land	Alfred James	Alfred James	5 40	1 02	7 37
218	13	Hillside Ex. A.	Land	Geo. Lindsay, sr.	George Lindsay	9 00	1 32	11 92
219	13	Hillside Ex. A.	Land	Geo. Lindsay, sr.	George Lindsay	9 00	1 32	11 92
225	13	Hillside Ex. A.	Land and Imp	John Clarke	Sarah Clarke	21 30	2 36	27 41
7	1-2	Saanich Ext'n	Land	J. Hall	Joseph Hall	23 40	2 53	30 06
9 of 4	7-9	Saanich Ext'n	Land	Hy. R. Sellick	Henry R. Sellick	3 24	84	4 65
1	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	5 40	1 02	7 37
2	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	5 04	98	6 92
3	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	5 04	98	6 92
4	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
5	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
6	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
7	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
8	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
9	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
10	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
11	9	5	Land	John Coughlan	John Coughlan & George Mason	4 14	92	5 79
14	1-2	25	Land	Abel Douglas	George Douglas	3 24	84	4 63
6	45-48&c	25	Land	J. W. Hutchinson	Jno. Wm. Hutchinson	4 32	93	6 01
E. part 74	45-48&c	25	Land	W. H. Philpot	Wm. H. Philpot	1 53	70	2 50
87	45-48&c	25	Land	G. A. McBain	Jno. D. Foreman	2 70	80	3 98
	10	Oaklands 29-30	Land	C. Farrington	Title not registered	19 80	2 22	25 52
14 of 3	56-57&c	29-30	Land	F. J. Juliff	Emanuel Levy, Emanuel J. Salmon, Joshua Davies, Henry Moss	2 52	78	3 75
19 of 7	56-57&c	29-30	Land and Imp	James Manton	James B. Manton	5 88	1 06	7 97
1	1-5	10 Victoria W.	Land	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	4 32	93	6 01
2	1-5	10 Victoria W.	Land	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	3 96	90	5 56
37	1-5	10 Victoria W.	Land	R. Whitley	Emanuel J. Salmon	3 60	87	5 10
7	8-12	10 Victoria W.	Land	John Fraser	John Fraser	4 32	93	6 01
8	8-12	10 Victoria W.	Land	John Fraser	John Fraser	4 50	95	6 35
N. part 12	8-12	10 Victoria W.	Land	C. W. Jenkinson	Douglas Brown	54	62	1 26
5	13-17	10 Victoria W.	Land	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	5 40	1 02	7 37
6	13-17	10 Victoria W.	Land	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	5 40	1 02	7 37
3	1	31 Victoria W.	Land	R. H. Benedict	Robert H. Benedict	3 60	87	5 10
4	1	31 Victoria W.	Land	R. H. Benedict	Robert H. Benedict	3 60	87	5 10
	4	31 Victoria W.	Land	Joshua Davies	J. P. Davies	9 00	1 33	11 32
19	34-38	31 Victoria W.	Land	H. J. Bland	Henry J. Bland	4 50	95	6 35
157	U	31 Victoria W.	Land	H. M. Yates & C. A. Rattray	Henry M. Yates & C. A. Rattray	5 40	1 04	7 39
158	U	31 Victoria W.	Land	H. M. Yates & C. A. Rattray	Henry M. Yates & C. A. Rattray	5 40	1 04	7 39
8	18-19&c	32 Victoria W.	Land	A. McKay & K. Cannell	Kenneth Cannell & Alexander McKay	1 80	72	2 84

Lot.	Block.	Section.	Lands and Improvements.	Assessed Owner.	Registered Owner.	Total Amount of Taxes due to the 31st Dec. 1898, unpaid 10th Nov., 1899.	Collector's Commission and Contingent expenses of sale.	Total Amount of Taxes, Interest and Costs.
1140	35		Land and Imp	C. W. Jenkinson	Not registered	19 95	2 24	25 72
14	T	Work Estate	Land	A. J. Tolmie & 7 others	John Work Tolmie	17 10	2 00	22 12
15	T	Work Estate	Land	do. do.	Henry Work Tolmie	19 80	2 22	25 50
4	15	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Roderick F. Tolmie	7 20	1 17	9 64
5	15	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Mary F. Tolmie	7 20	1 17	9 64
11	15	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Jane Work Tolmie	5 40	1 02	7 37
12	15	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Simon F. Tolmie	5 40	1 02	7 37
14	15	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Josette C. Tolmie	5 40	1 02	7 37
1	16	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	Same as above for each lot	9 90	1 40	13 05
5	16	Hillside Ex. B.	Land	do. do.	do. do.	9 00	1 32	11 92
1	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	6 30	1 10	8 52
2	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	6 30	1 10	8 52
3	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	6 30	1 10	8 52
4	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	6 30	1 10	8 52
5	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	6 30	1 10	8 52
6	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
7	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
8	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
9	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
10	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 [illegible]
11	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
12	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
13	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
14	32	Hillside F'm	Land and Imp	do. do.	do. do.	10 80	1 47	14 17
15	32	Hillside F'm	Land and Imp	do. do.	do. do.	9 90	1 40	13 05
16	32	Hillside F'm	Land and Imp	do. do.	do. do.	9 90	1 40	13 05
17	32	Hillside F'm	Land and Imp	do. do.	do. do.	9 90	1 40	13 05
18	32	Hillside F'm	Land and Imp	do. do.	do. do.	10 80	1 47	14 17
19	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
20	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
21	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
22	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
23	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
24	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
25	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
26	32	Hillside F'm	Land	do. do.	do. do.	5 40	1 02	7 37
	E. pt. 1	4	Land	do. do.	do. do.	68 40	6 30	86 80
	9	4	Land	do. do.	do. do.	47 16	4 52	60 60

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APPLICATIONS

Applications for the position of Chief of Police for Victoria, B. C., will be received by the Police Commissioners, City Hall, till Tuesday, December 26th, 1899.

Applicants to state age, height and experience, and to enclose photograph and testimonials with their application.

Salary one hundred and twenty-five dollars per month.

By order of the Police Commissioners.
Victoria, B. C., December 1st, 1899.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable under the provisions of the "Local Improvement By-Law, 1892," and amendments thereto, to lay down a wooden block pavement with stone curbs and concrete foundation on

1st. Yates street, between the easterly limit of Broad street and the westerly limit of Douglas street.

2nd. Broad street, between the southerly limit of Yates street and the northerly limit of Fort street.

And the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council upon the said works of improvement respectively, giving statement; showing the amount chargeable against the various portions of real property benefited thereby, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-Law, and said reports having been adopted by the Council, notice is hereby given that said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., November 28th, 1899.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act authorizing and enabling the said Corporation to enter into and execute a lease or leases to any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be in a position and willing to carry out the terms thereof, of: Firstly, all that tract or parcel of land partly covered by water situate within the limits of the Corporation, called, or commonly known as the James Bay Flats, up to the northerly line of Bellville street; and secondly, all the land and buildings situate, lying and being on the south side of Humboldt street and extending from the said James Bay bridge to, but not including, the Reformed Episcopal church, and known as City Lots 171, 215, 214, 213, 212, 211, 210, 209, 208, 207, 206, and 205 in Block 25, and Lot 1627, Block III, of Christ Church Trust, and more particularly shown on the official map of the said city, for any period not exceeding fifty years from the date of such lease, and upon the terms and conditions, and for the considerations mentioned and set forth in a certain by-law of the said Corporation, passed on the 7th day of August, 1899, and known as the "James Bay Bridge and Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1899" (being a by-law (No. 306) to provide for the erection of a steel, or steel and stone, structure, free of cost to the Corporation, in place of the present James Bay bridge, and for the reclamation of the James Bay Flats), and for the purposes mentioned in the said by-law, to authorize and empower the Corporation to expropriate, purchase, acquire, or lease, and hold, and sell, and dispose of, or surrender, or demise all or any of the said lands or buildings—and for all usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers, or privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the objects contemplated by the said by-law or any of them.

Dated the 22nd day of November, 1899.

MASON & BRADBURN,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court for a transfer to John Barrett of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situate on the northeast corner of Fort and Douglas streets, Victoria City, known as the Royal saloon.

Dated this 16th day of November, A.D., 1899.

ALFRED KENDALL,
By his attorney in fact,
C. A. HOLLAND.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

The semi-annual examination of applicants for entrance to a High School will be held in the South Park School Building, Victoria, beginning on December 18th, at 9:30 a. m.

Candidates must be punctual.

ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
Superintendent of Education.

Education Office,
Victoria, Dec. 5th, 1899.

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Manitoba Elections

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Latest Returns Show That the Government Carried Nineteen Seats.

The Opposition Have Fifteen, While Four Are Still Doubtful.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—An examination of the returns justify the following classification:

Government—Avondale, Carillon, Birtle, Beautiful Plains, Deloraine, Lakeside, Lansdowne, La Verandrye, Lorne, Minnedosa, Mountain, Rhineland, Rosenfeld, St. Boniface, Saskatchewan South Brandon, Springfield, Westbourne, Winnipeg Centre—19.

Opposition—Brandon City, Cypress, Kildonan and St. Andrew's, Manitou, Morden, Morris, Norfolk, North Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Rockwood, Souris, Turtle Mountain, Virden, Winnipeg South, Winnipeg North—15.

Doubtful—Emerson, Killarney, Russell and Woodlands—4.

Dauphin and Gimli elections have yet to be held.

An associated Press dispatch received at the Times office to-day gives the Opposition 22 and Government 15.

FATALITY AT DEPARTURE BAY.

Boy Drowned While His Father Had a Narrow Escape.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Dec. 8.—Andrew Olsen, accompanied by his 12-year-old son, went out in a boat from Departure Bay yesterday. The boat capsized at the edge of the bay and the son was drowned.

The father clung to the boat for several hours and was almost exhausted when rescued by Nils Larsen. The body of the boy was recovered.

Olsen came to Departure Bay from Lasquiti Island several days ago.

DOMINION MEDICAL COUNCIL.

Dr. Roddick Outlines the Provisions of the New Bill.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Dec. 8.—At a dinner of the medical faculty of Toronto University last night, attended by over three hundred physicians and students, Dr. Roddick, M.P., Montreal, outlined the provisions of a bill for the creation of a Dominion Medical Council, to be introduced at the coming session of parliament.

It is the intention to create a body like the British Medical Council, the diplomas of which will not only authorize holders to practice in all parts of Canada, but carry weight throughout the Empire. The council will consist of twenty-four members, three from each province. Candidates for Dominion diplomas must have spent four years in studying medicine at some university and one year in clinical work. Men of eminence like Prof. Osler, of the John Hopkins University, will be chosen as examiners.

CHASING AGUINALDO.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Gen. Otis to-day cabled to the war department as follows:

"Hospital ship Relief has just returned from Vigan bringing 272 sick soldiers, and 232 Spanish prisoners. She reports several hundred Spanish prisoners at Vigan, for which we will send a transport this evening.

"Col. Hare took Bangued on the 5th.

"The Fourth battalion of infantry is in pursuit of insurgents on the road to Lepanto, thence to Bontoc, to which place Aguinaldo and 30 insurgents are supposed to be retreating with American prisoners.

"The inhabitants of Western Luzon are friendly and give assistance."

RAILWAY DIVIDENDS.

(Associated Press.)

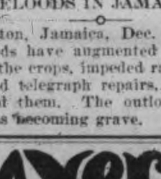
New York, Dec. 8.—The directors of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company have declared the semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. on its common stock, an advance of half per cent. from the last declaration.

The directors of the St. Paul & Omaha railroad have declared the annual dividend of 5 per cent. on common stock, and semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent. on preferred stock, payable Feb. 20th.

FLOODS IN JAMAICA.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 8.—Continuous floods have augmented the destruction of the crops, impeded railroad, highway and telegraph repairs, and further damaged them. The outlook for fruit export is becoming grave.

Ayers



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CANADIAN BREVITIES.

(Associated Press.)

Guelph, Dec. 8.—Richard Hewitt, a well-to-do farmer in Puslinch, is dead as a result of being thrown from his rig last night by the horse running away. He was [illegible] years of age.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 8.—[illegible] Payseant has been elected president of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Windsor, Dec. 8.—The jury in the murder case at Sandwich assizes have returned a verdict of guilty against Levi Stewart, charged with the murder of James Ross, on July 18th. Justice Ferguson will pass sentence some time today.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—To-day the feast of the Immaculate Conception is being strictly observed as a religious holiday among the French-Canadians throughout the province. All public offices are closed.

Imports passing through Montreal customs house for the month of November show an increase over the same month of last year of $866,896.

BRITAIN AND THE GALAPAGOS.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 8.—So far as can be ascertained by the Associated Press, Great Britain is not negotiating for the purchase of the Galapagos islands from Ecuador nor is there any intention of securing the islands. Official ignorance was professed on the whole matter, and there was some astonishment at the action of the Senate in passing Senator Lodge's resolution, requesting that President McKinley inform the Senate regarding Ecuador's proposed sale of the islands.

The Associated Press learns that Ecuador may be said to have no intention of parting with the islands at any price.

Special cable dispatches from the United States interpreting the Senate's action as emphasizing the United States' adherence to the Monroe doctrine caused no stir in official circles here, as it is believed the international relations of the two countries have been so changed since the Venezuelan controversy that Monroeism will never again cause any misunderstanding.

THE VISCOUNT'S WIFE.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 8.—Viscount Bowlingbroke, the holder of one of the oldest and most esteemed titles in England, died a few months ago leaving, as he supposed, no direct heirs. He was 79, and apparently a helpless and old widower. His cousin, Rev. Maurice St. John, was about to assume the title when he discovered that the Viscount had married, only four years ago, Miss Howard, a barmaid in the Gaiety Theatre bar, says a London cable to the Journal and Advertiser. The marriage was kept secret and the wife went to live in Bath. A son was born three years ago named Vernon Henry St. John, who is the rightful heir to the title.

BELGIUM WANTS A SHARE.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 8.—Information comes to the Herald from Brussels that a Belgian commercial commission to China is encouraged by King Leopold, and will probably be supported by a gunboat, the object being to obtain for Belgium a share in the commercial partition of the Celestial empire. The scheme is to run several steamships, protected by a few guns, which would constantly visit Africa, Asia, Australia and perhaps America, with samples of Belgian products, constituting a kind of permanent floating ubiquitous Belgian exhibition under the patronage of the national flag.

SUFFOCATED BY GAS.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 8.—Policeman Chas. L. Hensle, of Macdougal street station, and a young woman, said to be May Jackson, 25 years old, were found dead in bed early to-day in a room of a Houston street hotel. They had been killed by gas, the two jets in the room being found turned on full. There were marks of scratches on the man's face, which gave rise to the theory that he and the woman might have quarrelled after they retired. Hensle was known as an efficient officer. His father is a wealthy retired butcher.

MILITARY EXPLORERS MISSING.

(Associated Press.)

Seattle, Dec. 8.—Anxiety is felt here for the safety of military explorers headed by Lieutenant J. S. Herron, 8th United States cavalry, who ascended the Sushitna river last June en route for the Yukon. At the divide between Sushitna and Tanana Herron's guide deserted him and no word has been received from him since.

MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Stock exchange, morning board—War Eagle, xd. 277½, 275; Payne, 108, 105; Montreal and London, xd. 43, 40; Republic, xd. 114½, 114. Sales—Payne, 200 at 110½, 1,000 at 108, 2,000 at 107½; Republic, 500 at 114, 500 at 115, 400 at 116, 2,000 at 114½, 500 at 114.

ALBERNI NOTES.

(Special to the Times.)

Alberni, Dec. 7.—Coal oil and other household necessities are at a premium here on account of the non-arrival of the C.P.N. boat. She is not expected before the 11th.

The Indians here have been holding a big potlach on the Sechart reservation. Several have since secured free lodging at Her Majesty's hotel under the charge of Constable Cox.

The claims next to the Alberni are having several visitors this week. The claims, which are free-milling, are not to be confounded with the Banner group on the McLaughlin.

Mr. J. Drinkwater is in Victoria. He will return to Alberni a benedict, as he is, it is reported, to be married to Miss La Fayette, of Clayoquot. They will reside in Alberni.

The road leading from town to the Sproat Lake and Beaver Creek districts is being gradually washed away. It is now dangerous for horses.

The rain continues to fall here as heavy as ever.

NORTHERN WEATHER REPORT.

The following is the Northern weather report from November 24th to November 30th inclusive:

November 24th.

Selkirk—Cloudy and calm, 9 above.
Tagish—Clear, calm, 12 above.
[illegible]
Bennett — Partly cloudy, calm, 33 above.

November 25th.

Selkirk—Cloudy and calm, 8 above.
Dawson—Cloudy, calm, 12 above.
Bennett—Cloudy, calm, light snow, 30 above.

November 26th.

Dawson—Cloudy, calm, 12 above.
Selkirk—Cloudy, calm, 10 above.
Bennett—Part cloudy, calm, 32 above.

November 27th.

Dawson—Clear, strong N. wind, 12 above.
Bennett—Cloudy, calm, 20 above.

November 28th.

Tagish—Cloudy, light S. wind, 20 above.
Selwyn—Cloudy, calm, 4 above.
Selkirk—Cloudy, calm, 5 above.
Dawson—Cloudy, 4 above.
Bennett—Cloudy, calm, 30 above.

November 29th.

Tagish—Cloudy, 3 above.
Selkirk—Clear, calm, 8 above.
Dawson—Clear, calm, 6 above.
Bennett—Part cloudy, calm, 12 above.

November 30th.

Selkirk—Cloudy and calm, zero.
Dawson—Cloudy, 1 above.
Bennett—Cloudy, N. wind, 20 above.

DOMINION FINANCES.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The financial returns of the Dominion for the five months ending November 4th last shows the revenue to be $20,199,373, compared with $18,411,941 in 1898, or an increase of $1,776,000, while the expenditure was $13,017,831 against $12,372,627, an increase of over $600,000, making a betterment of over one million dollars over the same time in 1898.

There was a decrease in expenditure on the capital account of about $300,000.

There was an increase in revenue for the month of November of about $500,000 over November, 1898, while the expenditure for the month was about the same in both years.

THE LIVERPOOL DOCKS.

Discussing the subject of Liverpool and its docks, a writer in the Windsor Magazine says: "Liverpool provides for its shipping by the most ample, elaborate and perfect system of harbor accommodation the world has ever seen; indeed, there is nothing that faintly resembles it anywhere else. And, wonderful as these docks are, there is nothing final about them, as they are constantly being reconstructed to meet all the requirements of present-day ships. But the real problem before Liverpool is not how rivals are to be kept off and 'bested,' but how the new questions raised by the progress of the science of shipbuilding are to be met and solved successfully. For, mark you, the new carrier of the sea is something vast to montrosity, a colossal, floating, temporary warehouse, as it were, five hundred, six hundred, nay, seven hundred feet and more long, and she is thirty, forty, fifty feet and more in height, while her sides, which are in reality walls, go straight down to an enormous flat bottom, with the result that the vessel is more like a gigantic barge than anything else. You don't hear much said about her 'fine lines,' but you do hear a good deal about the many thousand tons of cargo, of freight, dead and alive, that she can carry. Ships like these require docks of due proportion. A cargo boat like the Cevic, or a passenger ship such as the Oceanic, predicate a graving dock a thousand feet long. Liverpool has already one, the biggest in the world, 950 feet long, and another is being built at the present moment that will be fully 1,000 feet in length. When we remember that the first dock of Liverpool was built nearly two hundred years ago, and what the size of the biggest ship was at that time, it will very easily be understood that the older portions of the Liverpool system consist of small, narrow docks, while those more recently constructed are large and commodious. I think I am not wrong in saying there are rather more than a hundred wet and dry docks, tidal basins and connecting locks, all strung along these seven or eight miles of that shore of the Mersey. The smallest dock is not much more than an acre in water area, but the largest, the Alexandra dock, with its three branches, covers upward of 33 acres. The total water area of the Liverpool system is more than 385 acres, affording a quay space of over 25 miles."

There were 843,933 births registered in France during 1898, a decrease of 15,174. The deaths for the same period numbered 810,073, an increase of 59,054 as compared with 1897.

Revenge of a wrong only makes another wrong.—Spurgeon.

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Sporting News.

THE OAR.

THE DEATH OF WALLACE ROSS.

[illegible] of the Harlem Rowing Club. Ross was, as the New York Sun says, one of the most noted among the professional oarsmen of what may be called the Hanlan epoch. Indeed, few outside of the mighty little Canadian could take Wallace's measure when the "Black Brunswicker" was at his best. Hanlan himself found Ross too much for him on one occasion, when the "Bluenose" sculler beat him and other oarsmen for a purse of $10,000 at Providence.

Ross was born about forty-five years ago at Amherst, Nova Scotia. His father, a Bay of Fundy coasting skipper, went to St. John, N. B., when Wallace was a small boy, and apprenticed him to Jimmy Blickley, a noted waterman. Young Ross's style of handling the sculls attracted the favorable notice of the shipping men whom he took back and forth, and they matched him against a harbor champion. Ross won cleverly.

Then a syndicate of St. John sporting men took hold of Ross. He won for them in every race in which they matched him, until Hanlan appeared upon the scene. Hanlan beat him over a five mile course on Toronto bay, and again over the famous Kennebecasis course, near St. John. In the latter race Ross rowed in a borrowed boat, and was capsized after going a mile. For that distance it was nip and tuck. Ross was a prominent figure during the eighties in all the big regattas, always winning a share of the money. During that time, also, he won many matches.

Ross retired from active competition in aquatic events about ten years ago, but retained his love for manly pastimes, and enjoyed a high repotation as a boxer and swordsman, and advocate of pedestrianism. His last engagement in America was with the Staten Island Cricket Club, when that organization had some of the best crews afloat. He then went to England with Paul Boynton's water show, and there sustained the stroke of paralysis which brought about his death.

Ross was an athlete of magnificent physique, standing 6 feet 2 inches in height, and weighing 185 pounds in condition. In manner he was much above the ordinary type of professional, and his genial temperament won for him a large circle of friends both here and in England. He never smoked or drank.

MUST COME TO CANADA.

A Toronto dispatch says: If George Towns, champion sculler of England, really means to row for the championship of the world, he will have to come to Canada for the race. His proposition is that he would row Gaudaur in England or Canada, give or take $1,000 expenses. Gaudaur says he will row him for $500 a side in Canada, but refuses to allow expenses.

THE RING.

SHARKEY WILL TRAIN CORBETT.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 8.—It is announced that Tom Sharkey has offered to train Jim Corbett for his fight with Champion Jeffries, and that the offer has been accepted.

"TERROR" M'GOVERN AGAIN.

Terry McGovern made quick work of Eddie Sprague, of Streator, at Hartford, Conn., last Thursday afternoon before the Nutmeg Athletic Club, getting the decision, after one minute of fighting, in the second round. He practically had his man done for in the first round, but the gong saved the Westerner.

McGovern sailed in to do business at the start, smashing down his opponent's guard and landing blow after blow on him. A terrible right under the heart put Sprague down flat. He turned over and got up only to go down before another vicious onslaught. This time he slipped, but a moment afterward he was floored again. He took eight seconds, and Referee Charlie White told him to get up or he would be counted out. Just as he rose the gong sounded.

The heart blow had taken all the life out of Sprague, and the second round was a farce. McGovern rushed and put Sprague down twice with hard right and left body blows. The last time Sprague rolled over and failed to come to time. He was not unconscious, but there was no more fight in him. Sprague was no match for McGovern, but he landed a couple of as hard blows as the champion ever felt. The fight was for $1,000, of which McGovern gets $750.

George McFadden, of Hartford, Conn., knocked out Bobby Thompson, of Montreal, said to be the lightweight champion of Canada, in the third round at the Greenwood Athletic Club.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

GENEROUS BADGERS.

One of the persons in Chicago, says the Daily Record, most glad that the Wisconsin team carried off the honors in last Saturday's football game is a woman who does not know the name of a player and who did not see the game. She is a beggar.

[illegible] the Wisconsin boys rolled up to the curb in front of the Auditorium after the game, the beggar woman, sheltering her baby with a ragged shawl, happened along. She paused to watch the players jump from the 'buses. For a minute she was in danger of being trampled in the careless rush of the excited victors. Then a young giant in a sweater saw her and the face of her baby. He tossed her a dime. His companions saw the act, and for a moment the yelling stopped. Fifty hands went into as many pockets. The beggar woman, clutching the dime, found herself the centre of a crowd. In an instant small silver coins began to drop at her feet, and soon the occasional drops became a shower. Then the beggar woman, who had distracted the attention of the young men, was forgotten as quickly as she had caught their attention. A minute later she was deserted by her benefactors, and in a dazed way began to gather up the silver bounty. There was no one to thank when she had finished.

THE WHEEL.

N. Y. CYCLISTS AFTER BROOKLYN BRIDGE.

Cyclists of New York city have not yet abandoned hope of securing a wheelway over the Brooklyn bridge. The committee of one hundred has been completed and a sub-committee on petitions met the other day and organized in the offices of the League of American Wheelmen. Clarence A. Shedd was elected permanent chairman, and an order was given for a new set of 5,000 petition forms, which will be circulated for signatures throughout the city. Two thousand blanks, issued several weeks ago by a temporary committee, have been returned to the L. A. W. offices filled with signatures. When as many of the new forms have been returned it is [illegible]

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

SOUTH PARK v. MAPLE LEAVES.

To-morrow afternoon at Beacon Hill park a junior league match will be played between South Park and the Maple Leaves, this being the first game of the season in which they have been pitted against one another.

The teams are as follows:

South Park—Goal, Cridge; backs, Jamieson and Laing; half backs, Ireland, Morrison and Alliott; forwards, Fox, Burns, Johnson, Phillips, Finlaison. Colors, blue and white.

Maple Leafs—Goal, Houston; backs, Gowen and Luscombe; half-backs, Stewart, Williscroft, and J. Belyea; forwards, Cousins, Bishop, Dakers, S. Wimsby, and T. Peden. Colors, white.

Mr. W. Donaldson has been asked to act as referee.

BOYS' BRIGADE DEFEAT THE COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Yesterday afternoon a game was played between the team of the second company of the Boys' Brigade and the Collegiate school, on the ground of the latter. The Brigade won by a score of 4 to 0. The scores were made as follows: J. Hogg, 2; S. Lorimer, 1; W. J. Edmonds, 1.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIAS WILL PRACTICE.

The last afternoon practice of the Victoria Rugby Football Club before the Vancouver match next Saturday, will be held at the Caledonia grounds to-morrow at 3 sharp. All members are requested to be on hand, as the team to play against Vancouver will be chosen after the practice.

VICTORIA PRACTICE GAME.

Victoria will have to play their first game for the senior cup at the Caledonia grounds on December 30th against the Garrison club, and their first game for the intermediate cup against the Columbias on New Year's Day also at Caledonia grounds. In order to assist in selecting teams, a practice game will be played on the old Rugby grounds, Beacon Hill, to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock sharp. The teams are as follows:

Captain's Team—Goal, R. Lorimer; backs, H. A. Goward and B. Schwengers; half-backs, A. Rutherford, J. W. Lorimer and A. Johnstone; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Hunter, J. Noot, F. Morse, and L. York. Colors, red and blue.

Vice-Captain's Team—Goal, W. H. Kinsman; backs, W. York and J. Hart; half-backs, W. McKeown, S. Lorimer and H. Leeming; forwards, H. Jesse, J. Lorimer, W. N. Winsby, H. G. Lawson and W. Marchant. Colors, white.

It is requested that all the above attend.

WHIST.

J. C. SCOTT WINS AT THE J. B. A. A.

At the weekly whist tournament at the J. B. A. A. clubhouse last night W. Laing, J. C. Scott and W. R. Atkins tied with seven points each. Mr. Scott on the cut run out, making 7 out of 10.

R. A. v. COLUMBIAS.

The following players will represent the Columbias in a match against the R. A. team at Beacon Hill to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock: Goal, McMicking; backs, Nesbitt and Marshall; half-backs, Turner, Burns and Robertson; forwards, Lawson, Netherby, Wilson, Berkeley and Fell.

THE TURF.

TO-MORROW'S CLUB RUN.

The Victoria Hunt Club will meet for a run to-morrow, at the residence of F. B. Pemberton, Foul Bay road.

Personal.

J. J. Mahoney, of Cowichan, is at the Queen's.

E. A. Lipton, of White Horse, is at the Victoria.

Dr. Ernest Hall returned last night from a visit to Vancouver.

Jas. Bule, wife and family, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion.

Sir Chas. H. Tupper came over from Vancouver on last night's Charmer.

F. C. Gamble, of the Lands and Works, returned last night from Vancouver.

F. B. Pemberton was a home bound passenger from the Mainland last night.

R. Collister, inspector of hulls, returned from a professional visit to the Mainland last night.

A. L. Bagg, of Ketchikan, came down this morning on the Cottage City and is registered at the Dominion.

Dr. G. L. Sepperell, of Florida, who was here in the Cassiar rush 29 years ago, is visiting Victoria on pleasure. He is at the Dominion.

Ed. Salter, manager of the "Why Smith Left Home" company, is at the Victoria with his wife, E. V. Burns, and Miss Nellie Maskell, also of the company.

B. Gallagher, a mining engineer, representing Montana copper capitalists, came in from Alberni by yesterday's train with Col. G. H. Hays. He speaks enthusiastically of his visit to the Coast mines.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

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New York, Dec. 8.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am. Sugar	152	152¾	147⅝	147⅝
C. B. & Q.	132	132	130¾	130¾
C. M. & St. P.	123⅝	123⅝	122¼	122⅝
Manhattan	103⅝	103⅝	102¼	102⅝
People's Gas	110⅝	110⅝	109	109¼
C. R. I. & P.	112½	112½	111½	111¾
Am. Tobacco	110⅝	110⅝	108¼	109¼
A. T. & S. F. pfd.	65	65	63⅝	63⅞
U. P. pfd.	76⅝	76⅝	76	76⅝
T. C. & I.	110	110	106¼	106¼
A. T. & S. F. com	22½	22½	21¾	21¾
L. & N.	83⅝	83⅝	83	83
B. R. T.	82½	82½	81⅝	82

Chicago Market.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
July	70½	70¾	70½	70¾
May	70	70⅝	69⅞	70¼
Corn—				
May	32⅝	33	32⅝	33
Pork—				
May	985	1000	985	1000
Liverpool Wheat—				
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